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OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTON, 1903.

Town Clerk.*
GEORGE W. CUTTING, 2 years.

Selectmen.*

FRANCIS BLAKE, 2 years, Chairman.

NATHAN S. FISKE, 3 years. ALFRED L. CUTTING, 1 year.

Overseers of the Poor.*

HENRY A. WHEELER, 2 years, Chairman.

HOWARD L. COOPER, 1 year. EDWARD P. RIPLEY.†

Assessors.*

HENRY L. BROWN, 2 years, Chairman.

DAVID W. LANE, 3 years.

NATHAN S. FISKE, 1 year.

School Committee.*

CAROLYN E. BURRAGE, 3 years, Chairman. SAMUEL C. BENNETT, 1 year. ROBERT G. JOHNSON, 2 years (Resigned).

Treasurer and Collector.*
HENRY J. WHITE.

Auditor.*
MERRILL FRENCH.

Library Trustees.*

HORACE S. SEARS, 3 years.

HENRY G. PEARSON, 2 years (Resigned.)

JUSTIN E. GALE.;

Library Treasurer.
HENRY J. WHITE.

^{*} Elected at the Annual Meeting.

[†] Appointed by the joint Board of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, April 11, 1903, vice George N. Abercrombie, who declined to serve.

[‡] Appointed by the joint Board of Selectmen and Library Trustees, Dec. 12, 1903, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry G. Pearson.

Trustees of the Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor.*

GEORGE W. CUTTING, 3 years, Chairman.

EDWARD COBURN, 2 years.

HENRY J. WHITE, 1 year.

Road Commissioners.*

BENJAMIN F. CUTTER, Chairman (Deceased).

AUGUSTUS M. UPHAM, 2 years. THOMAS E. COBURN, 1 year.

CHARLES B. CUTTER.;

Park Commissioners.*

DAVID W. LANE, 2 years, Chairman.

HENRY L. BROWN, 3 years.

ARTHUR L. COBURN, 1 year.

Trustees of Burial-Grounds.*

ALBERT H. HEWS, 1 year, Chairman (Deceased). FRANKLIN G. COOPER, 3 years.

FRANCIS B. RIPLEY, 2 years (Resigned).
HENRY L. BROWN.\$

Board of Health.*

EVERETT O. CLARK, Chairman, 3 years. FREDERICK T. HYDE, M. D., 1 year. GEORGE N. ABERCROMBIE 2* years.

Public Weighers.†

GEORGE W. CUTTING.

GEORGE W. BRODRICK.

Weigher of Coal.† GEORGE A. FOOTE.

Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

District No. 1. - GEORGE W. CUTTING.

" 1. - RALPH KENNEY.

" 2.-EDWARD C. GREEN.

" 3. - LOUIS E. ROBERTS.

" 4. - GEORGE W. BRODRICK.

" 4. — DANIEL GARFIELD.

" 5. - CHARLES B. CUTTER.

" 6.-OLIVER L. SHERBURNE.

^{*} Elected at the Annual Meeting. † Appointed by the Selectmen.

[‡] Appointed by the joint Board of Selectmen and Road Commissioners, Nov. 21, 1903, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Benjamin F. Cutter, to serve until the next annual town-meeting.

[§] Appointed by the joint Board of Selectmen and Trustees of Burial-grounds, May 9, 1903, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Francis B. Ripley, to serve until the next annual town-meeting.

Surveyors of Lumber.*

RALPH KENNEY.

ARTHUR L. COBURN. BENJAMIN F. CUTTER (Deceased). DANIEL GARFIELD.

Sealer of Weights and Measures.† CHARLES A. FREEMAN.

Fence Viewers.*

GEORGE H. D. LAMSON.

WALTER J. UPHAM.

THOMAS E. COBURN.

Field Drivers.* CLAUS PETERSON.

ARTHUR M. CHENEY. WILLIAM B. ROBBINS.

ALEXANDER S. JENNEY. ROLAND RAND. CHARLES B. CUTTER.

Pound Keeper.* DARIUS B. VITTUM.

Constables.*

NATHAN S. FISKE. SILAS BAXTER. CHARLES A. FREEMAN.

DARIUS B. VITTUM. HORACE P. HEARD. PATRICK J. McAULIFFE.

Special Police Officers.†

(To serve with pay from the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.) DARIUS B. VITTUM, Chief.

ALPHONSO H. DUNN. HORACE P. HEARD.

GEORGE FABER. ALFRED F. SIBLEY.

Special Police Officers (to serve without pay).†

ALBERT H. BAILEY. H. L. BATES. MICHAEL BUTLER. ARTHUR M. CHENEY. WILLIAM CONNON. FRANKLIN G. COOPER. ALFRED L. CUTTING. RICHARD W. DENNISON. BRENTON H. DICKSON, JR. JOHN M. FARRELL. AUGUSTUS H. FISKE.

EDWARD R. FRUDE. GEORGE W. HENDERSON. WM. T. HILL. H. M. KINGSBURY. FRANK C. MULOCK. JOHN PURCELL. WILLIAM O. RANDALL. CHARLES H. SADLER. JAMES M. SMITH. CHARLES H. TAINTER. FRED A. TARBOX.

PERCY WARREN.

^{*} Elected at the Annual Meeting.

[†] Appointed by the Selectmen.

Fire Engineers and Forest Fire Wards.†

BENJAMIN R. PARKER.

NATHAN S. FISKE.

BRENTON H. DICKSON, JR.

Registrars of Voters.†

ANDREW FISKE, DEM., Chairman			Term expires May 1, 1905
GEORGE R. STEDMAN, REP			Term expires May 1, 1904
JUSTIN E. GALE, DEM			(Resigned, Dec. 12, 1903)
GRANT M PALMER, DEM.; .			Term expires May 1, 1906
The Town Cleri	k (ex	officio).

Inspector of Cattle and Provisions.

GILBERT A. BLOOD.

Burial Agent.

(Under the provisions of Chapter 164, Acts of 1897.) CHARLES A. FREEMAN.

Tree Warden.*

FRANKLIN G. COOPER.

Deputy Tree Wardens.

PERCY WARREN.

ARTHUR M. CHENEY.

Agent of the Board of Health.

(To receive death certificates and issue burial permits.)

GEORGE W. CUTTING.

^{*} Elected at the Annual Meeting. † Appointed by the Selectmen.

 $[\]ddag$ Appointed by the Selectmen, Dec. 12, 1903, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Justin E. Gale.

STATISTICS OF THE TOWN OF WESTON, MASS.

Population, census of 1900.	1. 10								1,834
Number of voters, men .		. 30							391
Number of voters, women									0
Number of polls assessed.					1.				586
Number of men liable to milita	ary d	uty							195
School membership (average)				11.					255
Total area of town, about.							16.8 s	quare	miles.
Area taxed		. 1				9		. 9,806	acres.
Greatest extent north and sou	th, a	bout		-				. 6.0	miles.
Greatest extent east and west,	abo	ut						. 3.7	miles.
Town		. 3				19	acres)	
Park areas Metropolitan .				4.40		77	acres	296	acres.
Metropolitan Wat	er B	oard :	Rese	ervatio	n,	200	acres)	
Streets, public				1.				45.0	miles.
Streets, private								2.3	66
River front in Weston, about							. 3	. 2.7	"
Steam Railroads, four track								1.2	66
" double track	. "							3.2	66
" single track	40							3.5	66
Railroad Stations									6
Street lights - incandescent el	lectri	ic lam	ps						366
Dwelling-houses									414
School-houses (excluding one	distr	ict sc	hoo	l-house	e not	in	use)		4
Churches									4
Post-offices									3
Villages									2
Horses, assessed				1					533
Cows, assessed									849
Dogs, licensed							1. 1	. ,	201
Number of books in Public Li	brary	y	1.						15,151
Valuation - Real Estate, \$	2,770	0,100	00						
Personal Estate,									
Total valuation, -		-	-\$	5,235,5	47 00	; in	crease	,\$363,	577 00
Tax rate, \$8.80 on \$1,000.									
Corporation and Bank taxes	(in	cludin	ng						
1902 balances)				\$27,48	1 61	; de	crease	, \$	773 29
Town debt				32,00	0 00;	de	crease	, 11,	421 25

EXPENDITURES BY THE TOWN OF WESTON DURING THE YEAR 1903.

Schools						· HIA		\$15,005	77
Highways and bridges (inclu-									
tenance of State Roads)								 11,927	84
Street lights								4,406	24
Fire department								2,754	59
Support of the poor .							. 4	1,368	81
Burial-grounds								1,(40	18
Salaries of town officers								2,560	00
								3,235	99
State tax								4,250	00
County tax								5,567	16
Metropolitan Park assessmen							. 100	3,033	69
Interest								1,517	13
"Weston Free Bed" in Walt	ham	Hos	pital					250	00
Public Library	. 10							2,366	02
Public Library building (part	tial 1	oaym	ents	there	for)			-	
Bills prior								449	05
Assessors' plans								2,250	CO
Brook from Linwood Avenue	e to	Schoo	ol Sti	eet				102	54
									-
Total								\$62,085	01

PROPERTY OF THE TOWN.

Town-house, land and building		\$8,000	00
Public Library, land \$7,50		,	
" " building . 41,00			
6 6 books 11,50	0 00		
		60,000	00
High School, land and building		22,600	00
Grammar School, land and building .		8,400	00
District No. 4 School-house and land .		1,500	00
		1,500	0.0
6		1,000	00
Almshouse buildings, equipment and 68 a	cres		
of land		6,000	00
Fire apparatus		5,000	00
D 11 1 40		10,000	00
Public Library Fund		8,400	00
Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor .		3,308	68
Burial-grounds, General Fund		1,238	98
Burial-grounds, Perpetual Care Fund.		1,597	50
Cash in Treasury (unappropriated) .	•	15,102	27
		\$153,647	43

TOWN WARRANT.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Middlesex ss.

To any Constable of the Town of Weston. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in the Town-hall, in said town, on Monday the twenty-eighth day of March, current, at one of the clock in the afternoon, for the following purposes, to wit:—

First. To choose a Moderator.

Second. To choose the usual Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Third. To hear and act upon the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Fourth. To accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Selectmen and posted according to law.

Fifth. To vote on a separate ballot, "Yes" or "No", in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Sixth. To repeal Article 25 of the Town By-laws.

Seventh. To adopt the following as a By-law of the Town:—

"ARTICLE 25. The Selectmen may, at their discretion, exercise any and all powers which they may have under

the laws of the Commonwealth with reference to the licensing, and the supervision of dealers in and keepers of shops for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or second-hand articles, in the town."

Eighth. To change the name of "East Newton Street" to "Park Road."

Ninth. To adopt the name "Pigeon Hill Road" for the town way over Pigeon Hill, which begins at the old county road near the small house formerly owned by Curtis Robinson and passes by the new school-house and land of Messrs. Freeman, Thorndike, Russell, Palmer, Jenney and Zoller to Conant Road.

Tenth. To authorize the Selectmen, under the provisions of Chapter 78 of the Revised Laws, to take such action as may ensure the enlargement of Linwood Cemetery by the addition thereto of about nine acres of adjoining land belonging to the heirs of Marshall L. Hews.

Eleventh. To accept the provisions of Sections 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25 of Chapter 78 of the Revised Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts relating to Boards of Cemetery Commissioners; or to act anything relative thereto.

Twelfth. To amend the By-laws of Linwood Cemetery by striking out the words "Trustees of Burial-grounds" and "Trustees" wherever they occur therein; and substituting therefor the words "Cemetery Commissioners" and "Commissioners", respectively. Also, to amend Article 4th of said by-laws so that the first section thereof shall read as follows:— "First. That all burial-grounds in town shall be under the care, superintendence and supervision of a board of Cemetery Commissioners who shall be chosen under the provisions of the Revised Laws of the Commonwealth relating thereto; and to whom all applications for

burial lots shall be made: And that said Commissioners shall determine all matters connected with the burial of the dead which are not determined by Statutes of the Commonwealth."

Thirteenth. To determine whether the Town will provide some more economical and satisfactory method of heating the school buildings at the centre of the town.

Fourteenth. To determine whether the Town will appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars for the extension of the present concrete sidewalk on School Street to the junction of Wellesley and Newton Streets.

Fifteenth. To determine whether the Town will authorize the Selectmen to locate and maintain electric lights on Summer Street from Central Avenue to River Street; and appropriate money therefor.

Sixteenth. To raise and appropriate, by borrowing or otherwise, such sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles, or as may be required to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year; and especially to act upon all the appropriations asked for or proposed by the Selectmen or by any Town Officers or Committees in their reports.

And you are to serve this warrant by posting three attested copies thereof according to the vote of the Town; namely, at the Town-house, at the Kendal Green post-office, and on the town bulletin-board at the junction of South Avenue and Newton and East Newton Streets, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not; and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventh day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Four.

FRANCIS BLAKE,
NATHAN S. FISKE,
ALFRED L. CUTTING,
Selectmen of the Town of Weston.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

RECORDED IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE TOWN OF WESTON, FOR THE YEAR 1903. Whole number of births recorded . 36 Born in Weston 36 Males . 23 Females 13 Of American parentage . . . 21 Of foreign parentage . . . 12 Of American and foreign parentage Whole number of marriages recorded . 19 Native born, 23; foreign born, 15; natives of the town, 9; age of youngest groom, 22; age of oldest groom, 56; age of youngest bride, 21; age of oldest bride, 50. Whole number of marriage certificates issued. 19 Whole number of deaths recorded. 23 Number of deaths occurring in Weston 18 Number of deaths occurring in Waltham Hospital . 3 City Hospital, Boston. 1 Waltham Males . Females Of American birth Of foreign birth . . . 4 Born in Weston .

Oldest person whose death is recorded, 86 years and 11 days. Youngest person whose death is recorded, 9 days; non-residents, 3.

Of	persons	under	one	yea	r of	age			•	3
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66	"	- 66	60	66	70					3
66	"		70	66	80					6
66	66 -	, "	80	66	90					2

Causes of Death.

Accidents, 5; Pneumonia, 4; Heart Disease, 4; Pulmonary Tuberculosis, 1; Cerebral Hemorrhage, 2; Pernicious Anæmia, 2; Tubercular Peritonitis, 1; Bright's Disease, 1; Intestinal Obstruction, 1; General Peritonitis, 1; Inanition, 1.

Total number of deaths	23
Population of the town, 1900 census	1,834
Rate per thousand (excluding accidents, 5*; non-	
resident, not accidental, 1)	9.27

Births.

DATE. 5. Jo	NAME OF CHILD.	JANUARY. NAMES OF PARENTS. Patrick S. and Catherine Corbett.
		FEBRUARY.

15. Hilda Maud Saunders,

Ralph E. and Charlotte Louise Patterson.

^{*2} non-residents included.

MARCH.

DATE. NAME OF CHILD. NAMES OF PARENTS. 9. James Scutt Dwight, George Edmund and Shelley Holmes. Charles E. and Mabel E. Wash-17. Feldon Charles Peakes, William and Mary Jane McKenzie. 21. Alexander William Westland, APRIL. 6. Margaret Elizabeth Berry, Carl and Florence Jane McKenzie. 8. Archibald James Campbell, Michael and Florence McClellan. 9. Julia Bryant Paine, Charles Jackson, Jr., and Edith Maude Johnson. 24. Charlotte Elizabeth Wheeler, Walter Edward and Mary Etta French. MAY. 2. Charles John Connon, William and Elizabeth Hunter. 5. Bertha Alice Small, Silas H. and Catherine Gregor. 18. Joseph Kelley, John J. and Margaret Greaney. JUNE. 1. George Gilbert Cheney, Arthur M. and Alice Helena Welch. Guiseppi Morra, Guiseppi and Dina Morra. Walter B. and Martha Urania 17. Evelyn Burnap, Pillsbury. Webster and Alice Bowers. 20. Webster Fisk Harrington, JULY. 17. Roger Newell Faber, George and Daisy Frances Louden. Thomas Webster and Elizabeth 23. Winfred Nathan Scott, Lois Barker. 29. Hester Lillian Shaw, Frank Harold and Marietta Kimball. Ernest J. and Marie Anna 30. George Ernest Jones, Zimmerman.

AUGUST.

NAME OF CHILD. DATE. NAMES OF PARENTS. 2. Carolina Morra, Bertolomeo and Caterina Parenti. 3. John Walker McGrain, Patrick William and Kate Louise McNally. Charles Perkins and Mary Wake-16. Ruth Adams, field Gale. 17. Warren Everett Vittum, Everett Albert and Mabel Louisa Haynes. 23. James Skillin, James and Mary Kelley. SEPTEMBER.

4.	Doris Louise Cullen,		Francis and Alisca Richings						
			Harding.						
8.	Catherine Blake,		George Frank and Alice Weston.						
10.	Harold Claus Peterson,		Claus and Gerda Charlotte Hakansun.						
27.	Catherine Reagan,		John Henry and Rose Theresa Convery.						

OCTOBER.

31. George Sewell Leone, James S. and Annie McKenzie.

NOVEMBER.

4.	Charles Hall Stimpson,	Charles	Hall	and	Mary	Eva
		Dudley				
10.	Brenton Halliburton Dickson,	Brenton	,	, and	Ruth W	ilbar
		Bennet	tt.			
25.	Edith Catherine Elizabeth Compton,	Edward .	A. and	Jessie	McLer	nan.

DECEMBER.

9.	Charles Stearns Jenney,		Alexander Stoddard and Marion	204
			Howe Stearns.	
11.	Arthur Joseph Russell,		Arthur J. and Elizabeth Heard.	
13.	Arthur Leslie Coburn.		Arthur Leslie and Helen Haines.	

NOTE. - The following returns were received too late for their insertion in last year's report :

J F	
1902, May 10, John Carmody,	John and Kate Farrell.
1902, Aug. 28, Mary Dickson,	Brenton Halliburton, Jr., and Ruth
	Wilbar Bennett

Marriages.

Roland Rand, Albin A. Lagerblade, Elmer E. Sanderson, Huston Lincoln Leone, Daniel Arkell, William Bradfo d Sanderson, Fred F. Vincent, Lucian Davis, Alexander Cameron Oldfield, Angus Robertson, Edward Henry Fay, Frank C. Bemis, Myles Joseph Cosgrove, Louis Nelson Gowell, George Floyd Young, John Carmody, John J. Cassidy, Harry Farwell Warren, Marshall Cutting,

Belle Isadora (Clark) Sage. Olga E. Blomberg. Jennie E. (Potter) Smith. Mabel McKenzie. Susie Hayes. Elsie Lenore Rich. Helen A. Parker. Mabel A. Randolph. Amanda Johnson. Mary Elizabeth White. Jessie Merriam. Annie M. Irving. Sarah Tarpey. Bertha May Morrill. Emily Ena Pearson. Katherine Theresa Scanlan. Catherine M. Gaynard. Mary Caroline Jones. Minnora Law Brown.

Deaths.

JANUARY.

				Age	
DATI	E. NAME.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	Y.	M.	D.
12.	Frank N. Hastings,	Weston,	55	_	-
21.	Edward Fahey,	Ireland,	60	-	_
27.	Adaline (Loker) Leadbetter,	Dalton,	58	0	28
	FEBRUAI	RY.			
8.	Mary (Hagerty) McGowan,	Ireland,	60	0	0
15.	Elizabeth Sanderson White,	Weston,	38	10	15
27.	Maria Augusta (Skelton) Garfield,	Cambridge,	56	4	11
	MARCE	ι.			
5.	Daniel Spear,	Quincy,	75	6	29
10.	Frederick W. Poole,	Boston,	64	7	0
13.	Oliver Rand Robbins,	Roxbury,	72	10	22
	MAY.				
3.	Abagail (Locke) Roberts,	Lexington,	86	0	11

JUNE.	Age.						
DATE. NAME.	PLACE OF BIRTH. Y. M. D.						
13. William Cross Williamson,	Belfast, Me., 72 4 15						
21. Lucinda (Wallace) Cutting,	Sandwich, N. H., 83 6 8						
24. George H. Stratton,	Weston, 77 3 0						
zir deorge in bulanton,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,						
JULY.							
8. Albert H. Hews,	Weston, 59 5 25						
20. Walter E. Hobbs,	Weston, 28						
AUGUST.							
3. Leuici Fuino,	Italy, 23						
SEPTEMBE							
15. Edward J. Rowley,	England, 32 8 27						
OCTOBER							
30. Alcesta Livermore,	Randolph, 0 6 21						
NOVEMBE	D						
9. George Sewell Leone,	Weston, 0 0 9						
11. Benjamin F. Cutter,	Weston, 76 4 10						
11. John Bradley Hudson,	Portland, Me., 71 9 0						
14. Guiseppe Morra,	Weston, 0 6 3						
15. Clarence T. Sherman,	R. Wayland, 43 3 15						
	* '						
Note. — The following return was red	eeived too late for its						
insertion in last year's report:—							
Nov. 13, 1902, Laura B. (Whitten) Smith	, Somersworth, N. H., 41 4 19						
Number of dog licenses issued	during the year, 201.						
Cash received for 169 males at \$2							
each	. \$338 00						
Cash received for 32 females a	it \$5						
each	. 160 00						
	\$498 00						
Clerk's fees, 20 cents for each license, \$40 20							
Cash paid County Treasurer .	. 457 80						
							
Respectfully submitted,							

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE W. CUTTING,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

The Selectmen have the honor to submit the following report for the fiscal year ending Feb. 29, 1904:—

Organization of the Board.

The Board was organized at a special meeting held March 23, 1903, by the choice of Mr. Francis Blake as Chairman, and Mr. Alfred L. Cutting as Secretary. Stated meetings have been held in accordance with the following notices which were publicly posted:—

NOTICE.

Stated meetings of the Board of Selectmen will be held in their rooms at the Town-house, Weston, on Saturday, April 11, 1903, at 4.30 o'clock P. M., and thereafter, until further notice, on the second Saturday of each month at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

Bills against the Town should be presented to the Auditor on or before the fifth of the month. Bills presented after the fifth of the month will not be acted upon until the following month.

NOTICE.

On Nov. 14, 1903, and thereafter, until further notice, the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Selectmen will be held in their rooms at the Town-house, Weston, on the second Saturday of each month at 4.30 o'clock P. M.

During the year the Board have held eleven stated and eight special meetings, and three public hearings.

Appropriations.

The following table gives the appropriations made by the Town during the year 1903, and the appropriations recommended to be made at the next annual meeting:—

		1903.	1904.
		Appropriated.	
1.	Salaries of Town Officers	\$2,750	\$2,700
2.	Town Incidentals	3,500	3,500
3.	Discounts and Abatements	2,500	2,500
4.	Interest on Town Debt	2,200	1,500
5.	Payment of Town Debt	11,422	7,000
6.	Support of the Poor	1,890	1,200
7.	Military Aid	100	100
8.	Memorial Day	*[125]	*[125]
9.	Waltham Hospital Free Beds	$25ec{0}$	774
10.	Highways — General Repairs	6,500	6,500
11.	Sidewalks	1,500	1,000
12.	Gravel	500	1,000
13.	" Snow Bills	500	500
14.	Street Lights	4,525	4,600
15.	Schools - Salaries of Teachers	7,500	7,500
16.	" Incidentals	3,500	4,500
17.	" Text-books	600	600
18.	"Conveyance of Pupils .	3,000	3,250
19.	" Manual Training	400	500
20.	Burial-grounds	1,000	1,000
21.	Fire Department	1,500	1,500
22.	Fire Apparatus	560	-
23.	Hydrant Service	775	775
24.	Bills Prior	500	1,500
25.	Public Library Incidentals	2,000	2,000
26.	Ash Street	1,500	500
27.	River Street	************	1,500
28.	Glen Road	1,500	1,500
29.	Park Commissioners for East Newton	·	ŕ
	Street	100	100
30.	Survey of the Town and Assessors'		
	Plans	2,000	
31.	Brook from Linwood Avenue to Cen-		
	tral Avenue	250	
		\$64,682	\$ 59,599
		# 2 4 0 0 2	400,000

^{*} To be taken from Town Incidentals.

Financial Condition of the Town.

The financial condition of the Town at the close of the fiscal year is extremely satisfactory. Statements published at pages 9 and 168 of this volume show that the Town has assets to the amount of \$153,647.43, and a debt of \$32,000.

It should be noted that the debt is solely on account of immature notes issued in connection with the construction of the Public Library and the High School buildings, and that the original issue of such notes amounted to \$60,000.

The debt is only sixty-one hundredths of one per cent of the Assessors' total valuation of real and personal estate within the town.

Waltham Hospital Free Beds.

The records of the Waltham Hospital for the year show that the cost of services rendered to patients admitted by authority of the Selectmen of the Town of Weston was \$517.14, and that this sum was offset by receipts of \$250 from said Town, \$23.96 from said patients and a deficit of \$253.96, \$243,18

Being strongly of the opinion that the Town should make good this deficit and make ample provision for services to be rendered in the future, the Selectmen recommend that the sum of \$774 be appropriated for "Waltham Hospital Free Beds" at the next annual town-meeting; and that thereafter an appropriation of \$500 shall be made annually for the maintenance of two free beds in said hospital.

Appointments.

Under the provisions of the Revised Laws, the Board have made the following appointments:—

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Charles A. Freeman.

Public Weighers. George W. Cutting.

George W. Cutting. George W. Brodrick.

Weigher of Coal. George A. Foote.

SPECIAL l'OLICE OFFICERS.

(To serve with pay from the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.)

Darius B. Vittum, Chief.

Alphonso H. Dunn. George Faber.

Horace P. Heard.

Alfred F. Sibley.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

(To serve without pay until the date of the next annual town-meeting.)

Albert H. Bailey.
H. L. Bates.
Michael Butler.
Arthur M. Cheney.
William Connon.
Franklin G. Cooper.
Alfred L. Cutting.
Richard W. Dennison.
Brenton H. Dickson, J.

Brenton H. Dickson, Jr. John M. Farrell.

Augustus H. Fiske.

Edward R. Frude.

George W. Henderson. Wm. T. Hill.

H. M. Kingsbury. Frank C. Mulock. John Purcell.

Wm. O. Randall. Charles H. Sadler.

James M. Smith. Charles H. Tainter. Fred A. Tarbox.

Percy Warren.

FIRE ENGINEERS AND FOREST FIRE WARDS.

Benjamin R. Parker. Brenton H. Dickson, Jr. Nathan S. Fiske.

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS.

Justin E. Gale, Democrat, for three years, from May 1, 1903. (Resigned Nov. 14, 1903.)

Grant M. Palmer, Democrat, from Dec. 12, 1903, to May 1, 1906.

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE AND PROVISIONS.
Gilbert A. Blood.

BURIAL AGENT.

(Under the provisions of Chapter 164, Acts of 1897.)
Charles A. Freeman.

BALLOT CLERKS AT ANNUAL STATE ELECTION.
Henry J. White. Edward Fiske.

TELLERS AT ANNUAL STATE ELECTION.

Howard L. Cooper. Charles H. Fiske, Jr. Justin E. Gale. William V. Hyde. Charles C. Kenney.
Edward P. Ripley.
Henry A. Wheeler.
Homer F. Whittemore.

APRIL 11, 1903. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Overseers of the Poor, Mr. Edward P. Ripley was chosen an Overseer of the Poor, to serve until the next annual town-meeting, to fill the vacancy caused by the refusal of Mr. George N. Abercrombie to accept that office, to which he was elected at the last annual town-meeting.

MAY 9, 1903. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Trustees of Burial-grounds, Mr. Henry L. Brown was chosen a Trustee of Burial-grounds, to serve until the next annual town-meeting, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Francis B. Ripley.

Nov. 14, 1903. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Library Trustees, Mr. Justin E. Gale was chosen a Library Trustee to serve until the next annual townmeeting, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Henry G. Pearson.

Nov. 21, 1903. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Road Commissioners, Mr. Charles B. Cutter was chosen a Road Commissioner, to serve until the next annual town-meeting, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Benjamin F. Cutter.

JAN. 9, 1904. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the School Committee, Mr. Arthur L. Coburn was chosen a member of the School Committee, to serve until the next annual town-meeting, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of the Rev. Robert G. Johnson; but Mr. Coburn subsequently declined to accept that office.

Jury List.

The subjoined list of names has been prepared and posted in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Laws, and will be reported at the next annual town-meeting to be placed in the jury box, subject to revision by the Town:—

NAME.

OCCUPATION.

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George N. Abercrombie,	Member of Board of Health.
Amri Barker,	Farmer.
Emery L. Bemis,	Farmer.
Henry L. Brown,	Farmer.
Arthur M. Cheney,	Mechanic.
Albert E. Coburn,	Farmer.
Alfred H. Garfield,	Farmer.
Edward C. Green,	Farmer.
George E. Hobbs,	Machinist.
George H. D. Lamson,	None.
Isaac O. Lovewell,	Farmer.
Charles A. Poutas,	Farmer.
Thomas C. Richardson,	Farmer.
Joseph R. Roberts,	Farmer.

NAME.

OCCUPATION.

Herbert Seaverns,
Herbert A. Sherman,
William F. Sherburne,
George S. Sibley,
Augustus M. Upham,
Samuel H. Warren,

Florist.
Farmer.
Farmer.
Farmer.

Road Commissioner.

Farmer.

The following named persons have been drawn as jurors during the year: Thomas Irving and Edwin A. Newbury.

Accounts of Town Treasurer and Collector.

In accordance with the provisions of Article 14 of the Town By-laws, the Board have twice during the year made a thorough examination of the accounts of the Town Treasurer and Collector and the condition of the treasury.

In the course of these examinations all payments made by the Treasurer were verified by reference to approved vouchers or endorsed cheques. The receipts from taxes were verified by reference to the Assessors' tax warrants. The bank accounts were found to agree with the passbooks, after making allowance for outstanding cheques; and, in general, all moneys in charge of Mr. Henry J. White, as Town Treasurer and Collector, Library Treasurer, and Treasurer of the Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor, were properly accounted for.

Weston Water Company.

The following statement is published in accordance with the provisions of Section 11, Chapter 217, of the Acts of 1896:—

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE WESTON WATER
Co. FOR THE YEAR 1903.

Receipts.

					-			
Service	•			• 2	• .	•		\$5,259 91
Rent and	powe	er, We	eston	Elect	tric L	ight (Co.,	6,500 00
								 \$11,759 91
				Ea	pendi	tures.		`
Interest				• ,				\$2,693 39
Expense					•	•		557 82
Taxes							. •	294 84
Insurance							•	178 64
Repairs			•,					126 43
Coal		• 1	•					3,424 12
Salaries,	includ	ling l	abor					4,967 22
								12,242 46
Loss for the year ending Dec. 31, 1903 \$482 55								
E. & O. E. HORACE S. SEARS,								
				4				Treasurer.

WESTON, Jan. 29, 1904.

North Avenue Boulevard and Electric Railway.

The order of location for an electric street railway in North Avenue granted by the Selectmen to the Newton Street Railway Company Dec. 13, 1903, and published in the last annual Town Report, was amended April 11, 1903, in compliance with the suggestion of the Railroad Commissioners, so that Article Tenth thereof now begins with the phrase "Unless the Railroad Commissioners shall otherwise order or recommend,".

As thus amended, the order was approved by the Railroad Commissioners April 14, 1903; and accepted by the Newton Street Railway Company May 11, 1903.

In accordance with the provisions of the order, the Selectmen and other inhabitants of the town, April 18, 1903, petitioned the County Commissioners for a relocation of North Avenue. May 28, 1903, the Selectmen attended a public hearing on said petition held by the County Commissioners at Hastings Hall, Kendal Green. The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen presented the case of the petitioners, and, there being no remonstrants, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners announced that they were unanimously of the opinion that public convenience and necessity demanded the laying out of North Avenue as a boulevard in accordance with the terms of the petition; but that, before issuing their order therefor, a public hearing would be held at Hastings Hall on July 9, 1903.

Meantime, Mr. Sturgis H. Thorndike, C. E., representing the Selectmen, co-operated with the engineers of the County Commissioners and the Newton Street Railway Company in making a careful study of the problem of making the relocation of North Avenue accord with the wishes of abutting landowners in so far as it could be made to do so without violating the reasonable requirements of engineering practice. In this work, particular efforts were made to save as many as possible of the shade trees which stand within the lines of the relocation.

July 9, 1903, the County Commissioners, at a public hearing held at Hastings Hall, submitted their plan for the relocation of North Avenue; and said plan, which was based upon the results of the co-operative work mentioned in the preceding paragraph, was inspected and discussed by a large number of the abutting landowners.

Nov. 17, 1903, the County Commissioners issued their final decree for the relocation of North Avenue and their

award of damages in connection therewith, as set forth in the Town Records published, at pages 257 to 263 of this volume.

Subsequently, the Selectmen sent a copy of the subjoined circular letter to each of the abutting landowners.

THE WIDENING OF NORTH AVENUE.

WESTON, December 12, 1903.

In reply to an inquiry, on Nov. 27, 1903, the County Commissioners wrote substantially as follows:—

"We presume that the work which the Town is to perform by virtue of the franchise granted the street railway company, added to the amount of the damages which we award, plus the benefit accruing to property in any case by reason of the improvement, will make every land owner whose property is taken or injured satisfied and whole in his estate. If any owner is dissatisfied, he has ample remedy under the law, and he may take all reasonable precautions to protect his interests and save his rights. A petition to the Superior Court, in which the Town will be defendant, entered within the time limit of one year from Nov. 17th, 1903, will save those rights. We cannot anticipate every contingency which may arise; but during the progress of the work, we have no doubt that by the owner advancing any reasonable proposition to the parties doing the work and responsible for its character and thoroughness, arrangements can be made whereby the many items which you mention can be adjusted in lieu of damages in money, and for the benefit of both parties. This is the spirit of our decree and of the franchise granted by the Selectmen."

"1. Our order requires all walls and fences which serve to mark the old lines removed from within the location. These walls and fences are the property of the abutter, technically. Practically, the Town usually moves them in such a way as to satisfy the abutter."

(N. B.: the damage awarded is supposed to reimburse the owner for necessary changes.)

"2. Trees, shrubs, etc., are the property of the abutter, and he

has the right to move them if he chooses, but is under no obligation to do so."

"3. Any changes on one's property" (water pipes, drain pipes, cesspools, driveways, etc.) "must be the result of proper negotiations with the parties doing the work." (See note under "1.")

"1, 2, 3, 4, 5. The damages are supposed to cover the losses mentioned." (1st, value of land; 2d, injury by reducing size of yards and lawns; 3d, loss of trees and shrubs which it is impracticable to move; 4th, injury by change of grade; 5th, changes in electric wire poles.) "We are obliged by statute to consider benefits as offsets; (See Chap. 48, Sec. 15, Revised Laws;) so the amounts awarded equal the net damage after all work is done."

"In the notice recently sent as to removal of timber, wood, trees or other property, loam is not to be removed by the abutter unless he makes some special arrangement with the Town. Under our decree the soil is taken. Anything growing, or any stones not imbedded in the soil, or building materials, may be removed. No doubt arrangements can be made as to removal of shrubs or hedges or fruit trees at a time more favorable than the present frosty weather."

"As to surfacing of sidewalks, we made a general provision as to fine gravel consistent with the terms of the franchise. Where tar sidewalks exist, we think the abutters through the Selectmen can control the new construction through the franchise, as the work is to be done in accordance with specifications which must be approved by the Selectmen. Yours very truly,

(Signed) Levi S. Gould, Chairman."

Legally, the Town of Weston is to carry out the decree of the County Commissioners, and has the attendant powers and responsibilities. Practically, abutters can best arrange many details directly with the Newton Street Railway Company, which is to pay the expense and do the construction.

A plan and profiles are on file with the Town Clerk, and may be consulted by those wishing to know immediately the location of the boundaries of the widened highway and the proposed alterations in

grade. A copy of the decree, with the schedule of damages awarded by the County Commissioners, is also on file. Damages can be collected from the Town as soon as construction is begun on any portion of the highway; but very likely opportunity for settlement will be given at an early date. Under the provisions of the Revised Laws, the Selectmen have no authority to change either the relocation of North Avenue or the award of damages connected therewith as decreed by the County Commissioners.

Certain trees on areas taken will be marked as having a chance of remaining on the widened highway if not removed by their present owners. Changes in grade about their roots, as well as convenience of public passage, may require the removal of some of these. Abutters will add to the attractiveness of their own property as well as that of the highway, by moving back trees not so marked, especially healthy saplings; they can probably obtain permission from the Town to postpone this transplanting till spring, in accordance with the suggestion of the Commissioners. All trees standing on the existing highway are, of course, already by statute under the control of the Town, and should not be disturbed without permission.

FRANCIS BLAKE,
NATHAN S. FISKE,
ALFRED L. CUTTING,
Selectmen of the Town of Weston.

The decree of the County Commissioners prescribes the construction of North Avenue, in accordance with their relocation thereof, on or before Nov. 17, 1904; and the order of location granted by the Selectmen prescribes the construction and operation of a street railway in said location on or before Oct. 14, 1904, "unless and except in so far as said time may be extended by said Selectmen."

Jan. 28, 1904, the Selectmen, after conference with the President and other representatives of the Newton Street Railway Company, decided that, under certain conditions, it might be expedient to grant the request of said Com-

pany for an extension of the time within which the railway must be built and operated; and they thereupon instructed their counsel, H. E. Warner, Esq., to confer with the counsel of said Company for the purpose of formulating an agreement which would meet their wishes without in any way affecting adversely the interests of the Town. For obvious reasons, the Selectmen deem it advisable to restrict their published explanation of this matter to the statement that they were informed by the Newton Street Railway Company that having regard to the state of the stock market, their existing financial obligations, and the fact that they must issue securities for about \$200,000 to provide for the construction of the boulevard and railway, they were convinced that it was practically impossible for them to fulfil their agreements with the Town within the times prescribed by the County Commissioners and the Selectmen.

As this report is going to press, the negotiations mentioned above are in progress.

The Newton Street Railway Company, in accordance with the provisions of their franchise, have paid promptly to the Town Treasurer the full amount of the accounts so far rendered by him of current expenditures by the Town in connection with the relocation of North Avenue.

Locations for Poles and Wires in Town Ways.

During the year, in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws of the Town and the Laws of the Commonwealth, the Selectmen have authorized the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to place and maintain wires upon poles and fixtures wherever located in the town, of any other persons or corporations, under arrangements made with the owners for such attachments; and to allow the attachment to their poles of the wires and fixtures of any other persons or corporations. And they have granted said Company locations for one pole on River Street, near South Avenue; three poles on South Avenue, near the Newton City line; and four poles on Ash Street, near its junction with School Street. They have also granted the Weston Electric Light Company locations for twenty-one poles on Sudbury Road and thirty-one poles on Wellesley Street. Full records of the action of the Selectmen in these matters will be found in the Town Records, 1903, published in this volume.

Chapter 237, Statutes of 1903, reads as follows: —

AN ACT

RELATIVE TO THE GRANTING OF LOCATIONS FOR POLES AND WIRES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Section two of chapter one hundred and twenty-two of the Revised Laws is hereby amended by striking out the whole of said section and inserting in place thereof the following: - Section 2. The mayor and aldermen of a city or the selectmen of a town through which the lines of a company are to pass shall give the company a writing specifying where the poles may be located, the kind of poles, the height at which, and the places where, the wires may run. Any company, except street railway companies, desiring permission to erect poles, piers, abutments or other fixtures upon or along any public way shall, in writing, petition the said mayor and aldermen or selectmen therefor. A public hearing shall be held on such petition, and written notices of the time and place at which such hearing will be held shall be mailed at least three days before said hearing, by the clerk of the city or town in which the petition for locations has been made, to the owners of real estate along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct said line, as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation. The clerk of the city or town shall endorse upon the order or specification of locations granted, his certificate that notices were sent and a hearing held as herein provided, and no such order or specification shall be valid without such certificate. After the erection of the lines the mayor and aldermen or selectmen may, after giving the company or its agents an opportunity to be heard, or upon petition of the company without hearing or notice, direct any alteration in the location or erection of the poles, piers or abutments, and in the height of the wires; and no permit shall be required for renewing, repairing or replacing poles, piers, abutments or other fixtures once erected under the provisions of law. Such certificates, specifications and decisions shall be recorded in the records of the city or town.

Approved April 15, 1903.

The Selectmen therefore recommend that Article 25 of the Town By-laws be repealed, as proposed by Article 6 of the warrant for the next annual town-meeting.

Extensions of Street Lighting.

Article 15 of the warrant for the next annual townmeeting has been inserted by the Selectmen in accordance with the written request of more than ten voters of the town.

The Selectmen are of the opinion that, in general, no extension of street lighting should be made unless it is manifestly necessary for public convenience and safety; but they recognize the propriety, in special cases, of extensions for the convenience of abutting landowners whose aggregate taxes may warrant the expenditures incident thereto.

Having regard to the public use of Summer Street, and the number and the occupations of its abutting landowners, the Selectmen are satisfied that the matter of the extension of street lighting thereto should be determined as one of the special cases above referred to. The annual cost of lighting Summer Street would be \$250.00; and the taxes assessed May 1, 1903, on its abutting landowners amounted to \$229.86. As the expenditures for street lighting amount to about one fifteenth of the total annual expenditures of the Town, one fifteenth of \$229.86, or about \$15, is the sum which the Town might fairly expend for the convenience of abutting landowners only; and if this sum were increased by the small amount which should be allowed on account of the slight public use of Summer Street at night, it would still be so insignificant as to justify the recommendation of the Selectmen that at the next annual town-meeting the consideration of Article 15 of the warrant therefor be indefinitely postponed.

The amount involved in this particular case is not large; but the Selectmen believe that the welfare of the Town will be promoted if their views with reference to the general question of street lighting are endorsed by their fellow townsmen at the next annual town-meeting.

Automobiles.

At a stated meeting of the Selectmen, held April 11, 1903, it was Voted:— "That the Secretary is hereby authorized and requested, in the name and behalf of the Board, to inform the Representative for the Seventeenth Middlesex District that it is their deliberate opinion that the Automobile Bill," reported by the Committee on Roads and Bridges, should be amended so that it shall provide for a speed limit of fifteen miles per hour on country roads; that towns shall retain their present powers to reserve certain roads from automobile travel; and that any license shall be revoked whenever its holder shall be convicted a second time of a violation of any of the provisions of the bill."

Junk Dealers.

Having received complaints with reference to the actions of unlicensed junk dealers within the town, the Selectmen recommend the adoption of an additional Town By-law under which they will be given jurisdiction over dealers in junk, old metals and second-hand articles, as proposed by Article 7 of the warrant for the next annual town-meeting.

South Avenue Bridge.

In the year 1849, the Towns of Newton and Weston built jointly a stone bridge across the Charles River, connecting South Avenue in Weston with Auburn Street in Newton. Not long afterward, the Weston half of the bridge collapsed and was replaced by a wooden structure.

At a special town-meeting held April 27, 1889, the Town of Weston appropriated the sum of \$7,500 for the rebuilding of South Avenue Bridge, and appointed Messrs. Francis Blake, Benjamin F. Cutter and Alonzo S. Fiske a Committee with full powers to expend the appropriation.

At that time, the Committee were impressed by the rapidly growing use of Charles River for boating purposes by the Newton Boat Club, in particular; and by the inhabitants, in general, of what is now known as the Metropolitan District. It therefore seemed to the Committee most desirable that the City of Newton and the Town of Weston should jointly build a new bridge, to be designed with a view to increasing the convenience and the safety of those who pass under it, as well as those who pass over it.

A proposal to this effect was duly presented to the City of Newton; but at a joint meeting of committees representing the two municipalities, held at the site of the bridge, the Newton Committee decided that as their half of the original bridge had stood forty years, it might well stand forty years longer, in spite of the then expressed opinion of their City Engineer that it was unsafe. They therefore declined to co-operate with the Weston Committee in the accomplishment of their plan.

Under these circumstances, the Weston Committee deemed it wise to provide only for a substantial reproduction of the Town's half of the original 1849 bridge. The contract for such a structure was awarded July 31, 1889, and the work was begun Sept. 24 and finished Nov. 16, a temporary bridge having been open to travel in the meantime.

The total cost of the bridge, and the necessary changes in the approach thereto from the Weston side, was \$5,328.97.

The bridge was designed by, and constructed under the direction of, Mr. Albert F. Noyes, City Engineer of Newton, who reported as follows with reference thereto:—

"The Bridge, as constructed, is similar in design to the Bridge on the Newton side of the river. Its two stone arches have a span of twenty-two feet, six inches, and a rise of eight feet and one inch. The arch stones are eighteen inches, and they, together with the skewback and coping stone, are red feldspathic granite, obtained from Conway, N. H.

The spandrel and abutment walls are rubble field-stone masonry laid in cement mortar. The foundation of the abutments is composed of Portland cement concrete, the bottom of which is about eighteen inches below the bed of the river. The skew-back stone are also backed to the full thickness of the backing wall with Portland cement concrete, forming a part of the foundation block. The foundation of the central pier is upon a grillage of spruce timber of two courses, eight inches thick, laid at right angles to each other. It is coped with granite two feet wide and eight inches thick, and is fenced by a neat wrought iron pipe railing."

The bridge is to-day in perfect condition and of ample width (twenty-one feet nine inches over all, and twenty feet nine inches between railings) for the legitimate use of its surface by the travelling public. But on Sundays and holidays in the boating season, it is necessary to employ special police officers to prevent its blockade by the concourse of persons who pause to enjoy the view of river life it affords, the extent and activity of which may be inferred from the fact that there are about four thousand canoes berthed in the various public and private boat-houses between Riverside and Waltham. It is therefore obvious that the present bridge is a vexatious and dangerous obstacle to the full enjoyment of a wonderfully developed river life; but, having regard to the facts already recited, the Selectmen are strongly of the opinion that it is the duty of the Metropolitan District to enable their Park Commission to build a new bridge, the broader and higher arches of which shall ensure the pleasure and the safety of the thousands of inhabitants of the district who resort to the Charles River Reservation for recreation.

During the session of the last Legislature "House Bill No. 801" was introduced on the petition of the Mayor of Newton. This bill empowered the Metropolitan Park Commission to remove the present South Avenue Bridge, and to build a new bridge and approaches thereto at a cost not exceeding \$30,000; and that said cost should be assessed upon the Commonwealth representing the Metropolitan Park District, the City of Newton, the Town of Weston and the County of Middlesex, in the proportions of 15/30, 8/30, 5/30 and 2/30, respectively.

Our fellow-townsman, Samuel C. Bennett, Esq., thereupon called the attention of the Selectmen to this bill and volunteered his services, in behalf of the Town, to prevent its passage. His generous offer was accepted, with the results set forth in the subjoined letter:—

Boston, April 10, 1903.

Mr. FRANCIS BLAKE,

Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Weston, Mass.

Dear Sir, — In the matter of House Bill No. 801, entitled "An Act to provide for the construction of a bridge over the Charles River between the Town of Weston and the City of Newton," I beg leave to report that the petition of Mayor Weeks was referred to the Joint Committee on Roads and Bridges. Their first hearing in the matter was held on Feb. 18th. At the request of the petitioner the matter was postponed without action until Thursday, March 26th. On that day Mayor Weeks and City Solicitor Slocum appeared for Newton. By your instructions I appeared as counsel for the Town of Weston.

Messrs. Cutting and Fiske of the Board of Selectmen were present and testified in opposition to any bill which should impose any part of the cost of the new bridge on the Town of Weston. Other citizens of the Town were present and spoke in the same tenor, among them Andrew Fiske, Esq., Albert Thorndike, and Brenton H. Dickson, Jr.

I stated the objections of the Town to the proposed legislation and filed with each member of the Committee a statement of certain reasons in favor of the Town's position. After arranging for a view of the premises on Thursday, April 2d, the hearing was closed.

The Committee, in company with Messrs. De las Casas and Haskell of the Park Commission and certain officials of Newton, viewed the premises at the time set. Messrs. Cutting of the Selectmen, Henry L. Brown of the Board of Assessors and myself were present on behalf of the Town of Weston.

The Committee has recently reported on the bill in question and advised "Reference to the next General Court," and the report has been accepted by the House. We may presume that the matter is closed for the present year.

I am very glad to have been of service in this matter.

Will you please cause to be signed and returned to me the following authorization of myself as legislative counsel?

Yours truly,

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SAM'L. C. BENNETT.

The Selectmen present this bridge matter somewhat in detail, to the end that their successors in office may have a clear understanding of the equitable reasons for which the Town should oppose the passage of any similar bill which may be introduced in the General Court.

At a stated meeting of the Selectmen, held April 11, 1903, it was unanimously

Voted:—"That the Board hereby gratefully acknowledge the service rendered the Town by Samuel C. Bennett, Esq., counsel in the matter of 'House Bill No. 801'."

The extent and the value of the gratuitous services which Mr. Bennett has rendered to the Town in this matter may be inferred from the subjoined statement submitted by him to the Joint Committee on Roads and Bridges of the Great and General Court.

POINTS FOR THE TOWN OF WESTON

In Relation to House Bill No. 801, Respecting the Proposed Bridge over the Charles River between South Avenue in Weston and Auburn Street in Newton.

1. The Town of Weston in 1889 rebuilt its half of the bridge twenty-one feet in width and of substantial construction. At this time the City of Newton was invited by the Town of Weston to join in rebuilding the entire structure of the width of thirty feet. Newton declined to take any action, and has taken no action since, except to keep its part of the present bridge in repair. The rebuilding of Weston's half of the bridge in 1889 cost the Town \$5,328.97.

The present structure, twenty-one feet in width, is amply sufficient for all the ordinary teaming, driving and foot travel which passes over it, and Weston's half of the bridge is in thorough repair. Whatever need there is at this time for a wider bridge springs from the fact that the bridge and its approaches, especially on the Newton side, are used as a resting place by the public who are attracted to this spot by a view of the river and the boating upon it (see Report 1901, page 41), and by the immediate proximity of Norumbega Park. The banks of the Charles River on each side for a long distance above and below the bridge in question are now included in the Charles River System of the Metropolitan Park Reservations. Very few of the inhabitants of Weston are included in the public referred to. The total population of Weston is only 1,834, while the town's area is, roughly speaking, a rectangle about six miles from north to south and three and one half miles from east to west. The bridge in question is almost at the extreme southeastern corner of the town, being three miles distant from the post-office and Town Hall. Probably only a small proportion of the public who use the bridge as a resting place are citizens of Newton, for the bridge is at almost the extreme westerly point of Newton, which city is, roughly speaking, also a rectangle, five miles east and west and three miles north and south. "So far as use is made of the parks in the vicinity of Newton, it is largely by people who are non-residents. This relates particularly to the Charles River (Reservation), in which the proportion of non-resident visitors is at least two to one." [Brief of Winfield S. Slocum, Esq., City Solicitor of Newton, filed before the Commissioners of Apportionments.

A large majority of those who stand and rest upon the bridge in the open months are members of the public not resident either in Weston or in Newton. It seems just, therefore, that the cost of a new bridge, if built, should be borne chiefly, if not wholly, by the Metropolitan Park System representing the public.

3. If the cost is imposed either wholly or chiefly upon the Metropolitan Park System, the Town of Weston will then be charged with a substantial contribution. The entire river front in Weston is about 2 7/10 miles in length, over two miles of which is now included in the Charles River Reservation. About 77 1/4 acres in Weston are in-

cluded in this Charles River Reservation of the Metropolitan Park System, and taxable real estate of an assessed value of about \$72,000 has been withdrawn from taxation by the Town. Weston also owns and maintains on the river bank a town park of about nineteen acres, which for all practical purposes is a part of the Charles River Reservation.

Under the apportionment made by the Commissioners and confirmed by the decree of the Supreme Judicial Court, Weston's annual contribution towards the cost of the Metropolitan Park System is about one half of one per cent of the total amount to be paid annually by municipalities within the district. (The exact figures are .00483 under Acts of 1899, Chap. 419, and .0047285 under the Nantasket Beach Act, Acts of 1899, Chap. 464. See report of Metropolitan Park Commissioners for 1901, pages 92, 93.)

The estimate of the State Treasurer was (see same Report, page 100) that the total amount needed under the various acts was \$517,923.17 for the year 1900. The amount assessable upon Weston was \$2498.24. (One half of one per cent is \$2589.61.)

For the three years last past Weston has paid \$8238.80 (State Treasurer's tables in Park Commissioners' Report for 1902).

Weston paid in 1900	, p	4			\$2498 24
in 1901		4	٠		2753 24
in 1902				• .	2987 32
a total of					\$8238 80

If the average continues for the next two years Weston's contribution for the first five-year term of the award will be \$14,122.55. An increase is probable each year, and we may safely assume that Weston's contribution for the five years will be not less than \$15,000.

During the three years last past Weston's per capita contribution has been (\$8238.80 divided by 1710, population of 1895) about \$4.74, or \$1.58 per year.

Newton's per capita contribution has been (\$87,921 47 divided by 27,590, population of 1895) about \$3.19, or \$1.06 per year.

Wellesley's per capita contribution has been (\$9638.77 divided by 4229, population of 1895) \$2.28, or 76 cents per year.

Waltham's per capita contribution has been (\$22,756.39 divided by 20,876, population of 1895) about \$1.09, or 36 cents per year.

Weston's present population is 1834, and the town's area is nearly 17 square miles. Within the town limits there are over 5 1/2 acres of land for every man, woman and child in town. Weston does not need the Metropolitan Park System, but contributes more toward it in proportion to population than any of its immediate neighbors on the Charles River.

Watertown's per capita contribution has been (\$15,694.06 divided by 7788) about \$2.02, or 67 cents per year.

Cambridge's per capita contribution has been (\$93,806.23 divided by 81,643) about \$1.15, or 38 cents per year.

Roston's per capita contribution has been (\$854,119.68 divided by 496,920) about \$1.72, or 57 cents per year.

Brookline's per capita contribution has been (\$102,846.84 divided by 16,164) about \$6.36, or \$2.12 per year.

Of the thirteen cities and twenty-six towns which are charged with the expense of maintaining the Metropolitan Park System, no other municipality (with the exception of Brookline, and perhaps one or two others) is subjected to such a large annual per capita expense as the Town of Weston.

To SUM UP.

1. The need of a new bridge, so far as any need has been shown, springs not from the ordinary incidents and growth of travel, but from peculiar and unusual causes.

For those causes Weston is not responsible.

- 2. The Park System, which is the real cause of the changes in this locality, is of little benefit to Weston.
- 3. Weston already pays a relatively large amount for maintaining this system, and consequently will bear a portion of the cost of the bridge, even if the entire expense thereof is charged upon the Metropolitan Park System.
- 4. Unless some special benefit to Weston is shown, no part of the cost should be assessed directly upon Weston, for Weston's part of the present structure is sufficient for the needs of the Town and County.

5. If any part of the cost is especially charged upon Weston, then such charge should be in no greater proportion than is Weston's assessment under the Apportionment Commissioner's Award, viz.: about one half of one per cent.

Cemetery Commissioners.

The subjoined correspondence explains the insertion of Articles Eleventh and Twelfth in the warrant for the next annual town-meeting.

In anticipation of the Town's acceptance of the provisions of the Revised Laws mentioned in Article Eleventh, the ballots to be used at said meeting will carry the names of three candidates for the office of Cemetery Commissioner; and a motion to take up said article will be made before the Town proceeds to the election of town officers under Article Second of the warrant.

Town of Weston, Massachusetts.

Office of Selectmen, 16 Feb., 1904.

CHARLES H. FISKE, Esq.,

60 Congress Street, Boston.

My dear Mr. Fiske, — I do not find in the Public Statutes or the Revised Laws any authority under which a town may elect "Trustees of Burying Grounds."

In the annual reports of our town, I find the names of a "Burial Ground Committee" from 1865 to 1892 (inclusive); and the names of "Trustees of Burying Grounds" from 1893 to 1902 (inclusive).

Under the provisions of Revised Laws, Chapter 78, Section 21, "A town which accepts the provisions of this and the four following sections, or has accepted the corresponding provisions of earlier laws, may, at any town-meeting, elect by ballot a board of cemetery commissioners," etc., etc.; but I find no record of the acceptance by the Town of Weston of any laws relating to burial-grounds or cemeteries.

Please to give me your opinion as to whether it is advisable to insert an article in the warrant for the next annual town-meeting under which the Town may accept Sections 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 of Chapter 78 of the Revised Laws.

Very truly yours,

FRANCIS BLAKE, Chairman.

Boston, Feb. 26, 1904.

FRANCIS BLAKE, Esq.,

Chairman of Board of Selectmen, Weston.

My dear Mr. Blake, — In response to the inquiry in your 16th insteletter regarding the care of Public Cemeteries and Burial Grounds in Weston, I would say that I have found no authority of law for a town to so far delegate the care and management of its cemeteries or places of burial to a Burial Ground Committee or Trustees of Burying Grounds so that such Committee or Board of Trustees could by deed effectually convey to any person the sole and exclusive right of burial in any lot in such cemeteries or burial places.

This custom which has prevailed, as I understand it, in Weston for many years therefore seems to lack proper authority, thereby virtually invalidating the title to such rights in lots.

All such conveyances of burial rights under the circumstances to be made valid should have been given in the name of the Town and signed by the person or persons duly authorized to execute or deliver them.

The Revised Laws, following an earlier act, has provided for the election of Cemetery Commissioners, the first step being the due acceptance by the Town, at some legal meeting, of Section 21 and the following four sections of Chapter 78 of the Revised Laws.

There seems to be two ways for the Town out of the dilemma.

First. Either by accepting the above sections and electing the Cemetery Commissioners in accordance therewith, who then have right by law to make such conveyances.

Second. Or for the Town by vote to authorize some one to execute and deliver proper conveyances to each person who has heretofore purchased and been granted such right, having only received

therefor the conveyances of the Burial Ground Committee or Trustees of Burial Grounds.

I should suggest the former to be the better way; that is, to duly accept the provisions of said sections and elect a Board of Cemetery Commissioners; and for that purpose, if the Town should so vote, I enclose a form of article to be inserted in the warrant for the next Town Meeting.

The Law provides for the election by ballot of a Board of three persons, one of whom shall be chosen at each annual meeting for three years' service, which requires an election at the next meeting of three persons, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, which has, I think, for several years been the way in which the members of the Trustees of Burial Grounds have usually been elected in Weston.

The present incumbents of said Board of Trustees could be elected members of the proposed Board of Cemetery Commissioners if qualified in other respects, it being necessary that a majority of them should for at least one year prior to their election have been owners of a lot in a cemetery or other public burial ground in the town.

This Board may by law receive gifts or bequests for maintaining cemeteries or cemetery lots.

Yours truly,

CHARLES H. FISKE.

Enlargement of Linwood Cemetery.

During the month of April, 1903, the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen received from the late Mr. A. H. Hews, Chairman of the Trustees of Burial-grounds, a letter which reads in part as follows:—

"The Cemetery Trustees in making their annual report could not recommend any definite price to pay for the land adjoining Linwood Cemetery, as before doing so they wanted to test the amount of loam, which the frost would not permit at that time.

"The heirs of the Marshall Hews estate do not seem to care to dispose of the property. I have done my best with them, but the lowest

price they will name is Four Hundred Dollars (\$400) an acre, — the piece contains somewhere from nine to eleven acres. This seems to the trustees somewhat exorbitant.

"On the other hand, this is the only available piece for the Town to secure upon any terms."

Believing that the welfare of the Town will be promoted by the enlargement of Linwood Cemetery, the Selectmen recommend that they be given authority to accomplish it, as proposed by Article 10 of the warrant for the next annual town-meeting.

If this authority is given them, the Selectmen intend to take no action thereunder until they are convinced of their inability to secure from the landowners an agreement to sell at a price which they would recommend the Town to approve at any ensuing special town-meeting or at the annual town-meeting to be held in March, 1905.

It is noteworthy that the original site of Linwood Cemetery comprised about nine acres of woodland ("heavily wooded"), which the Town bought from Mr. Marshall Hews, in the year 1873, for the sum of \$2,250, or \$250 per acre; and that the adjoining eight and 91/100 acres, belonging to the Marshall L. Hews Estate, were assessed May 1, 1903, at a valuation of \$891, or \$100 per acre.

Assessors' Plans.

At the last annual town-meeting, the sum of \$2,000 was appropriated to be expended by the Selectmen and the Assessors for a survey of the town and a set of Assessors' Plans based thereon.

At the outset, the Selectmen and the Assessors were of the opinion that this appropriation would cover only the cost of a substantial beginning of the work entrusted to their direction; but, after some negotiation, they were enabled to contract for the complete performance of the work by Mr. John N. McClintock, C. E., under the terms and with the results set forth in the subjoined contract and report:—

AGREEMENT.

Articles of agreement, made this ninth day of May, 1903, between Inhabitants of the Town of Weston, of the first part, and John N. McClintock, engineer, of Boston, party of the second part;

Witnesseth, That the party of the second part in consideration of the agreements of the party of the first part herein, agrees within one year from date to prepare and deliver to the party of the first part a set of Assessors' Plans, so-called, of the entire territory included by the Town bounds, said plans to be properly platted, to the scale of one inch to 200 feet, on approximately 26 × 38 in. sheets of Watmann's drawing paper, mounted on heavy cardboard and brass bound, said plans to show the location of all public and private property, railroad locations, county roads, highways, reservations, belonging to the Commonwealth, County, City or Town, cemeteries (without showing lots), parks, squares, school lots, plats of house-lots when recorded, farms, estates, showing boundary lines in form of fences, boundary stones, monuments, river, brook, ditch; deed distances of interior lines to be taken as correct when there is no dispute between owners (the surveyor not to assume judicial functions in case of dispute, but to show rival claims); the plans to show length of side lines, areas of taxable properties, names of owners, and last deed of record when obtainable; the whole work to be founded on the geodetic positions of the town boundaries as determined by the Commonwealth, traverse lines over highways to be run with steel tape and transit; computed and platted on a system of rectangular co-ordinates based on a meridian passing through town bound No. 22 located in Charles River, marking the line between Weston and Wellesley assumed arbitrarily as 10,000 North and 10,000 West; the said sheets to be accompanied by a key-map of Town indicating the sheets, and also the principal property divisions of one acre or more:

Whereas, a proper limit of error for the plans should vary with the value and the topography of the land, it is hereby understood and agreed that, in case of disagreement between the parties to this contract, the proper limit of error in any particular plan shall be determined by three disinterested experts to be chosen in the usual way.

The party of the first part, in consideration of the agreements of the party of the second part, agrees to pay him the sum of Twenty-two hundred and fifty dollars therefor at the following times, and amounts, viz., upon the delivery of each sheet a sum equal to 75 % of its proportional area of the town and of the price to be paid for the completed plans, and a final payment, within thirty days from delivery of the last of the plans agreed to be finished, of the remainder of said twenty-two hundred and fifty dollars.

In witness whereof, the party of the first part has caused these presents to be signed and sealed in its behalf by its Selectmen and Assessors thereunto duly authorized, and the party of the second part has set his hand and seal, on the day and year first above mentioned.

JOHN N. McCLINTOCK. [SEAL]

Francis Blake, Nathan S. Fiske,

ALFRED L. CUTTING.

Selectmen.

[TOWN SEAL]

HENRY L. BROWN, DAVID W. LANE,

NATHAN S. FISKE,

Assessors.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 12, 1903.

To the Boards of Selectmen and Assessors, Town of Weston, Massachusetts:

GENTLEMEN: I have the honor to report that I have completed my work of surveying and plotting the property lines of the town of Weston in accordance with the contract, and herewith submit the finished plans and index sheet.

My work was facilitated by the determination of the latitude and longitude of 22 town bounds, Mr. Francis Blake's West Tower, Leadbetter A, Doublett East A, Cut Rock A and Baptist Church Spire A. by the Massachusetts Topographical Survey Commission; the layout of the Boston & Albany, Fitchburg, and Massachusetts Central Railroads; the layout of Central and South Avenues, Ash, Cliff, East Newton, Newton, Church, River, Loring and School Streets, and Glen, Riverside, Maple and Hill Top Roads; the surveys made by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the Metropolitan Park Commission and Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Boards, and by the City of Cambridge; as well as by plans of the Munroe, Merriam, Walker, Fiske, Bigelow, Peirce, Whittemore, Perry, Lamson, Winsor, Clapp, Jones and Blodgett Estates made by other engineers, and plans of the Blake, Hubbard, Cushing, Mathews, Cutting, Young, Foster, Kennedy, Case, Demmon, Sears, Smith, Jackson, Robbins Kettle, Freeman, Nolte, Morrison, and Comstock Estates, made by myself in former years; plans on record at Cambridge of the Bradbury, Paine, Coburn, Upham, Water Company, and other estates; and by field work by parties from my own office before and since the signing of the contract.

I have computed and plotted the position of more than 1000 points in the town, largely represented by stone monuments.

It became necessary for me to run a traverse line over every railroad and highway in the town and very many of the interior lines. Much of the interior work was plotted in the field by the use of the plane table. The areas were measured by a planimeter, and were checked to within less than one half of one per cent.

I received the hearty co-operation of the citizens of the town generally in obtaining information in regard to doubtful lines.

By using the methods which I employed, there can be no serious errors in the work, and only such as can be readily corrected when shown either on the plan or in the accompanying book. I know of no case where there is a disputed line between the adjoining properties. There is but one piece of property for which I could find no claimant, i. e., that north of the Heard woodlot, although I am in doubt as to the ownership of several other small pieces.

I am reasonably certain of the correctness of my own work and that of my assistants, and have checked that of other surveyors which I have used.

Respectfully submitted by

JOHN N. McCLINTOCK.

The Assessors' Plans have been arranged in a cabinet designed for their convenient use; and a complete set of photographic negatives thereof has been made, in order that they may at any time be reproduced at a trifling expense.

The cabinet of plans, the negatives thereof, and the original plane table sheets covering Mr. McClintock's survey of the town, have been deposited in the record room in the basement of the Public Library Building.

Metropolitan Water Works.

During the month of December, 1903, the Weston Aqueduct and Reservoir of the Metropolitan Water Works were substantially finished, and the filling of the reservoir with water was begun. Such minor work as remains to be done will be finished in a few weeks after the opening of the ensuing spring.

The works in Weston comprise an earth and rock tunnel and open trench aqueduct, about 1.51 miles long, from the Wayland line to a channel chamber at a point a short distance east of the junction of Wellesley and Chestnut Streets; an open channel, about 0.26 miles long, to the westerly end of an equalizing reservoir; an equalizing reservoir between 60 and 70 acres in area and about 0.76 miles long, to a screen chamber at its easterly end; and a rock tunnel and open trench aqueduct, about 1.08 miles long, to a terminal chamber at a point a short distance westerly from the junction of River and Loring Streets.

High water in the Weston Reservoir is at an elevation of 200 feet above Boston city base; or 66 feet higher than Chestnut Hill Reservoir. From the terminal chamber, the water flows by gravity through large cast-iron pipes to the low-service district of the Metropolitan system and to Spot Pond.

The aqueduct has a carrying capacity of 300,000,000

gallons per day.

The carrying on of these great works during the last three years has involved the daily employment of several hundred men, and the use of hundreds of tons of high explosives. Nevertheless, the liberal provisions of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board for police protection and sanitary inspection have permitted the works to be accomplished without accident or unnecessary annoyance to the inhabitants of the town.

In their annual report for the year 1901, the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board state that "Especial attention has been given to the design of the reservoir and to the disposition of waste material, so as to produce satisfactory landscape effects. These matters have been carefully studied by Olmstead Brothers, Landscape Architects, and they have given advice and furnished plans for the work."

This Metropolitan Reservation, with its enclosed reservoir, is at present a valuable addition to the town; and its value may be greatly increased by its ultimate development as a public park.

Miscellaneous.

APRIL 11, 1903. The Board, for convenience in the administration of town affairs, voted:—"That the Secretary be authorized to have a telephone installed at the

residence of Mr. Nathan S. Fiske, Selectman, Constable, Assessor, and member of the Board of Fire Engineers."

Nov. 14, 1903. The Board voted:—"That whereas the Board of Health, acting under a vote of the Town, in draining the land adjoining the estate of Mr. James M. Smith on School Street have deprived him of the water formerly supplied by his well, the Secretary is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Mr. Smith under which the Town will pay the expense of laying a service pipe from the water main on School Street to some point adjacent to said well."

JAN. 28, 1904. The Secretary of the Board wrote to the Chairman of the School Committee as follows:—"I desire to call the attention of your Board to the provisions of Section 25, Chapter 104, of the Revised Laws, relating to Public Halls, etc. On several occasions in the past, at public gatherings in the School Hall, these provisions have been ignored. In view of recent events, it would seem that every precaution should be taken and all laws relating to the public safety should be rigidly enforced. We trust that your Board will take such action as to make further action on the part of our Board unnecessary."

FEB. 13, 1904. The Secretary was requested to write a letter to the Mayor of the City of Newton expressing the Board's appreciation of the services rendered by the Newton Fire Department at the fire on the estate of Mr. Charles W. Hubbard on the 3d instant, and requesting him to send a bill of the expenses thereby incurred by the City of Newton.

FEB. 24, 1904. The Board authorized H. E. Warner, Esq., to appear for the Town as Legislative Counsel before all committees of the Great and General Court of the Commonwealth, in the matter of "Legislation concerning street railway companies or the operation of street railways."

Under the provisions of a vote passed at the last annual town-meeting, suit was brought against the Town of Arlington, Mass., for the recovery of such sums of money (and interest thereon) as have been expended by the Town of Weston for the care of one Charles Cunningham, a small-pox patient having a legal settlement in said Town of Arlington. Before the case came to trial, the Selectmen, in accordance with the advice of their counsel, Charles H. Fiske, Esq., entered into an agreement with the Town of Arlington, under which said Town agreed to pay to the Town of Weston the sum of \$569.50, the full amount of their claim plus \$25.00 in lieu of interest thereon.

Having regard to the fact that a substantial portion of the town way called East Newton Street is now a part of the town park and adjoins one of the most important areas of the Charles River Reservation of the Metropolitan Park Commission, the Selectmen recommend that the name of said town way be changed to "Park Road," as proposed by Article 8 of the warrant for the next annual townmeeting.

Article 9 of the warrant for the next annual townmeeting, under which the name of "Pigeon Hill Road" may be given to a town way over Pigeon Hill, has been inserted in accordance with a written request received by the Board from Messrs. A. J. Russell, W. B. Clarke, A. S. Jenney, G. M. Palmer and Albert Thorndike.

Upon receiving the resignation of the Rev. Robert G. Johnson as a member of the School Committee, the Board requested the Secretary to convey to him a written expression of their appreciation of the value of his services to the Town.

In response to a request from the Secretary of the Board, the Boston & Maine Railroad Company have arranged that a gatekeeper shall be on duty at the Kendal Green Crossing of their Fitchburg Division until midnight.

During the year the Board have drawn orders on the Town Treasurer for the payment of approved bills to the amount of \$56,723.78.

FRANCIS BLAKE,
NATHAN S. FISKE,
ALFRED L. CUTTING,
Selectmen of the Town of Weston.

REPORT OF THE ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

The Road Commissioners of the Town of Weston submit to the Town their annual report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904.

The money appropriated for highways has been expended where in the judgment of the Commissioners it was most needed.

The streets on Pigeon Hill when accepted by the Town were in a bad condition, and about \$500 was expended on them. We were fortunate in obtaining most of the gravel from the cellar of the private school on Pigeon Hill.

With the exception of laying a culvert, the street laid out by the Commissioners from Pigeon Hill to Conant Road through land of Mrs. Elizabeth Q. Zoller is completed. Between \$500 and \$600 was expended on School Street in the hollow below the Library where in wet weather it has always been muddy. It has been resurfaced with about six to eight inches of broken stone and well crowned.

North Avenue for the last two years has had only a small amount spent on it, and considerable money will have to be spent on it the coming year if the electric railroad does not make a start.

The money appropriated for Ash Street has been spent in laying the walls back, and grading to a width of twenty feet; and as considerable more work needs to be done we recommend a small appropriation.

The Glen Road appropriation has been spent in laying the walls back to the new line on both sides of the street, and in removing ledges and boulders. We would recommend the following appropriations for the coming year:—

Highways							\$6,500	00
Sidewalks	٠				•		1,000	00
Snow bills		•					500	00
Gravel .		ě				• `	1,000	00
Glen Road				•			1,500	00
River Street	٠		· '•				1,500	00
Ash Street							500	00

Guide posts are maintained at the following places: North Avenue and Lexington Street, North Avenue and Church Street, North Avenue and Conant Road, North Avenue and Lincoln Street, Concord Road and Merriam Street, Concord and Sudbury Roads, Central Avenue and School Street, Central Avenue and Wellesley Street, Wellesley and Newton Streets, Newton and Ash Streets, South Avenue and Wellesley Street, South Avenue and Ridgeway Road, South Avenue and East Newton Street, South Avenue and River Street, River and Loring Streets, Wellesley Street and Glen Road, and East Newton Street and Riverside Road.

By the death of our chairman, Mr. Benjamin F. Cutter, the Town has lost a faithful servant, and one that will be greatly missed.

At a meeting of the Selectmen and the remaining members of the Board, held Nov. 21, 1903, Mr. Charles B. Cutter was elected to fill the vacancy till the next annual town-meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS E. COBURN,
A. M. UPHAM,
C. B. CUTTER,

Road Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The School Committee respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904:—

At the annual town-meeting on March 23, 1903, Mrs. Carolyn E. Burrage was re-elected a member of the Committee. At the regular monthly meeting of the Committee, April 2, 1903, Mrs. Burrage was re-elected Chairman and Mr. Bennett was re-elected Secretary.

In December, the Rev. Robert G. Johnson felt compelled by ill-health to tender his resignation as a member of the Committee. Mr. Johnson had been a member since the annual town-meeting in 1899, having been elected for the second time in 1902, and his painstaking and conscientious services have been of much value to the Town. The Committee greatly regret that he is unable to continue in office.

At a joint meeting of the Board of Selectmen and the remaining members of this Board, held on Saturday, January 9, 1904, Mr. Arthur L. Coburn was unanimously elected by ballot to fill the vacancy; but he was unable to accept, and the vacancy still exists.

The practice of holding regular meetings on the second day of each month, or upon the third when the second day falls on Sunday, has been continued. Twelve regular meetings and numerous special meetings have been held during the year.

Under the authority of Chapter 46, Section 12, of the

Revised Laws, the Committee appointed Mr. Merrill French and Mr. Franklin G. Cooper truant officers for the ensuing year.

In the summer of 1903, Mr. Robert C. Cutting was appointed enumerator under authority of Revised Laws, Chap. 43, Sect. 3. His report shows that in September there were in the town 139 boys between the ages of five and fifteen, 141 girls between the ages of five and fifteen, total 280; that there were 101 boys between the ages of seven and fourteen, and 101 girls between the ages of seven and fourteen, total 202. There were eleven illiterate minors over fourteen years of age in town. Several of these were children whose fathers were temporarily engaged in the construction of the Metropolitan Water Works. At the present time nine of these children are no longer residents of the town; one of the others still resident has made some progress in learning to read and write, while the remaining one is still illiterate. Each of the two is more than fourteen years of age.

Superintendent of Schools.

At a special meeting of the Committee on April 13, 1903, Mr. Charles M. Eaton was re-elected Superintendent of Schools. His report is as follows:—

WESTON, MASS., Feb. 28, 1904.

Mrs. C. E. BURRAGE,

Chairman of the School Committee,

Dear Madam, — In accordance with the wish of the Committee, I am making my report this year as Superintendent of Schools and not merely as Principal of the High School. It seems a fitting opportunity to state what I have found by experience to be the most important duties of a Superintendent, and how he may be most useful. I shall also speak briefly of certain matters of our school work, some of them of a general and some of a special nature.

It is the first duty of a Superintendent to find good teachers for the schools under his charge, to see that the teachers have the chance to do excellent work, and to leave them unhampered to do it. Nothing, it seems to me, can be done by a Superintendent for a school which has a really poor teacher, and if a school has a really good teacher, a Superintendent is unwise to meddle with small details.

It is next his duty to hold up before the teachers high ideals of persistency, faithfulness, and hard work. Eternal vigilance is the price of good schools as well as of liberty, and the best of teachers is helped by a Superintendent who is determined to have only good work, who is ready to appreciate good work when he sees it done, and who is not afraid to criticise when criticism is needed.

Peculiarly the responsibility of a Superintendent is the correlation of the various working forces of the schools. This correlation is in its crystallized form the "Course of Study," although much of this work never crystallizes at all, but changes from year to year according to circumstances or to the varying capacity of classes.

In disciplinary matters the Superintendent should feel that discipline merely for its own sake is valueless; but as a necessity for the smooth movement of the schools day by day, for a proper training of the child for his later duties as a citizen, certain phases are all-important. He should see to it that the teachers administer justice tempered with mercy wherever pupils are delinquent, and he should make the teachers feel that they will be cordially endorsed in what they do so long as it accords with those principles.

In matters of promotion of pupils from class to class, the Superintendent has one of his gravest responsibilities. On the one hand, demoralization accompanies promotions which pupils have not earned by faithful or competent work; on the other hand, mere figures and mechanical methods of promotion often do injustice to individuals.

As a rule, the good of the individual child should be sought, and the question should be: "Can this child profitably to himself go on to the work of the next grade?" When the answer is "No," a feeling of chagrin by child or parent should not change the decision. When it is "Yes," it makes little difference whether a mark was two above the standard or two below it. In the case of a child who by

sheer neglect has fallen below the standard, the effect upon others of the class may require some departure from the rule as stated above.

In many matters, such as ventilation, the character and variety of school supplies, text-books, records and the like, there are means of helpfulness in the hands of the Superintendent, but those are, after all, mere details, for the discussion of which there is no room in this brief statement.

Such are some of the things a Superintendent should try to do. I want to speak briefly of what he, and the teachers under his charge, cannot do. They cannot make bricks without straw. They cannot take a child at 8.30 o'clock in the morning, keep him until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and conquer bad inheritance, poor environment, and lack of ideals in the home. More and more it is the fashion to expect the schools of our land, especially in the cities, to do all this; and more and more it is the fashion for writers and speakers before the public to blame the schools because they cannot do it. The wonder is that the schools as a whole can do what they do in crowded centres of population, with children in poor homes or almost homeless, or with the sons and daughters of ignorant immigrants. In our town we have to combat this sort of thing little if at all, but we have our difficulties.

The greatest hindrance to the work in our schools is a lack of ambition. Our pupils are practically all well-fed and well-clothed, and are likely to be so. They have rarely felt the pinch of want, nor do they fear it in future. Their parents provide well for them, while the schools are so generously administered by the Town that pupils are luxuriously provided for as compared with those of half a century ago. They expect to be worked over, made to understand their arithmetic, forced to write neatly, encouraged and coaxed to effort, intead of bestirring themselves and mastering for themselves what is within their reach. They are often too self-satisfied, and are content with work that is only fairly good, instead of striving for the best. I am not a believer in children old before their time. I like to see children in no great hurry to put childish ways aside, but they should learn while still young to carry some responsibility for themselves, so that when the burden comes in later years — and it comes to all —

they may not be so unaware of what it means that they fall beneath the load, or that, on the other hand, they shake it from their shoulders as wholly distasteful, and go through life uselessly and idly.

This tendency of young people against assuming responsibility is widespread to-day. It is, I believe, a growing tendency. This fact makes it all the more important for teachers to struggle against it, and to call upon parents to stand shoulder to shoulder with them in the fight.

I wish to summarize briefly, as follows: neither fine buildings nor good methods nor good teachers can do much for an indifferent pupil. The teacher can apply pressure on the one side, but the parent needs to apply pressure on the other, so that between the two the child may be constrained to greater effort and improvement.

I wish also to speak of certain special details of the work at the various schools.

There have been some difficulties of administration at the South School during the past three years, caused by several changes of teachers and by certain problems incident to the relatively isolated situation of the school. I look for those difficulties to be less in the future. We cannot overcome certain of the obstacles of circumstance, but we can circumvent some of them, and try to obtain to the utmost those advantages of individuality which constitute the only opportunity of the district school to-day. The grounds of the school are relatively well-kept; its interior, both through the provisions of the school committee and the efforts of its teacher, is very attractive, and it seems that the problem which it, as a whole, presents is being solved as well as can reasonably be expected.

The North School continues year by year to live up to its record in the past and follows evenly and steadily its satisfactory course.

At the Centre schools the chief matters of interest have been the rearrangement of the Manual Training classes, and the employment of a special teacher as assistant throughout the eight grades of pupils in the Grammar School building.

Through a variety of minor changes the classes in Manual Training
— including a special class of High School pupils — are now all of

reasonable size, and each class has an hour and a half of the teacher's time. The work of manual training should be something more than mere carpentry; it is meant to teach the children the beauty and dignity of labor with the hands; it should give them method, exactness and dexterity. We need to go outside mere reproduction of models and teach the children about the material in which they work; we need to give them some idea of forestry, of the changes which result in making lumber out of trees; we wish to beautify the room in which they work with the pictures of trees, with specimens of various woods, and any such other correlated material. This we hope to do year by year.

There have been many advantages in the employment of an assistant for the four teachers in the Centre building. The change has permitted some departmental work, so called, which is generally employed in many large schools; it has enabled more time to be given to children who were for any reason backward; it has given more minutes to the various class periods, which were often too short; and it has relieved one teacher, who was so heavily burdened with a large school that no efforts on her part could have enabled her to do her best for her pupils. The employment of an assistant has one disadvantage. It is one more concession to the tendency to relieve the children of responsibility for their work, and to place the burden on the teacher, a tendency which may be so easily carried too far.

Two matters of special interest concern the High School—the employment of a pupil teacher, and the midwinter public evening.

The pressure of work on the teachers of the High School made some relief necessary; it seemed hardly possible to have a third assistant, and recourse was had to the expedient of employing in the work of teaching a part of the time of an advanced pupil. This method is common elsewhere, and is not new to us; some years ago a pupil of the High School served as assistant in the primary grades. The plan has been distinctly a success this year, and has fully justified itself.

A debate, with declamations, formed the program of our public midwinter entertainment. I hardly need to assert the value of these evenings, for they meet with general approval. With the money

received last year the pupils have purchased two more excellent pictures, one representing the "Casket Scene" from the "Merchant of Venice," and the other a photograph in colors of the Rialto Bridge in Venice. The High School pupils have also presented a fine picture. "The Sheepfold," to the Upper Primary school, and bought for themselves numerous books of reference. The school has been so fortunate as to receive as a gift from one of its alumni, Mr. Horace S. Sears, a beautiful marble bust of the "Blind Homer" with an appropriate pedestal. Accompanying the gift was a letter of such admirable sentiment and such wise counsel as to impress every pupil who heard it. Such a gift in such a spirit is of the utmost helpfulness. We have other evidences, from time to time, of the affection of former pupils for the school, which serve to stimulate the pupils of to-day, and to encourage the teachers when the instant results of their work do not appear and their faith proves almost unequal to its task of hopefulness.

I can see no reason why our schools are not, as a whole, in a vigorous and wideawake condition, ready for the new town year which is about to open, and capable of doing their duty as it daily appears to them.

Yours truly,

CHARLES M. EATON,
Superintendent of Schools.

Teachers, Schools, and School Attendance.

Mr. Eaton was re-appointed Principal of the High School, together with Miss Pauline McDowell and Miss Emma F. Ripley as Assistants. Miss Alice L. Hosmer was reappointed teacher of the Intermediate School, and also appointed Principal of the Grammar School building. Miss Anna M. Rochefort was re-appointed teacher of the Grammar School and Miss Emily F. Adams, Miss Julia F. Smith and Miss Elizabeth J. Viles were respectively reelected teachers of the Upper Primary School, the Primary School, and the District No. 4 School.

At the regular meeting in June, a letter from Miss Alice Flitcroft announcing her resignation, the same to take effect at the close of the school year, was presented, and the resignation was accepted.

Mr. F. W. Archibald was re-elected teacher of Music and Miss Sarah E. Jewett was re-elected teacher of Drawing. Mr. A. C. Cobb was re-elected teacher of Manual Training, although he had previously expressed some doubt whether he could accept the appointment, owing to more remunerative engagements offered to him elsewhere. Afterwards he tendered his formal resignation, to which still later he felt compelled to adhere, although he was urged to accept the appointment in this town. At the regular meeting in August, Mr. Philip E. Perry was appointed teacher of Manual Training for the ensuing year of 1903–1904.

Miss Harriet M. Brotchie was elected teacher of the District No. 5 School.

It became evident that some addition to the teaching staff of the High School was needed, but the Committee did not feel justified in employing an additional assistant teacher. After conference with the Superintendent, it was therefore determined to appoint Miss Constance E. Burrage, who was attending some classes as a graduate student, to take charge of such classes as might be assigned to her, compensation to be paid according to the number of assignments thus made. This plan has been in operation since the opening of the schools in September and its execution has been satisfactory to all persons concerned.

During the first part of the fall term Miss Hosmer was temporarily absent and Miss Jeanette Norris was appointed to fill the vacancy, which duty she discharged satisfactorily.

In November, the Superintendent reported that more than fifty pupils were attending the Grammar School, and that it was necessary to relieve Miss Rochefort to some extent. Accordingly, at the suggestion of the Superintendent, Miss Dora L. Kirwin was employed as a special teacher for work among the eight grades of pupils in the Grammar School building.

The usual tables of statistics concerning all the town schools are here inserted:—

High School.

CHARLES M. EATON, Principal.

Pauline McDowell, Assistant. Emma F. Ripley, Assistant	
Whole number of pupils enrolled for spring term, 1903	51
Whole number of pupils enrolled for fall term, 1903	49
Whole number of pupils enrolled for winter term, 1903-1904,	50
Average membership, 48. Average attendance, 46.	
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age	39
Perfect in attendance: William H. Caunt, three years; Helen	L.
Sibley, Raymond W. Coburn, Winthrop H. Dunn, two years; V	Vil-
liam O. Kenney, Hubert E. Sherburne, William E. Conroy, Dwi	ght
B. Cooper, Myrtle W. Brooks, Ethelyn J. Russell, one year.	

Grammar School.

Anna M. Rochefort, Teacher.

Whole number of pupils enrolled for spring term, 1903.		47
Whole number of pupils enrolled for fall term, 1903		51
Whole number of pupils enrolled for winter term, 1903-1904		49
Average membership, 47. Average attendance, 45.		
Number of pupils over fifteen years of age		6
Number of pupils under fifteen years of age		64
Number of pupils under twelve years of age		6
Perfect in attendance: one year, Dennis Cronin, Matilda	Mah	an,
Helen Moore, Lucy Young.		

Intermediate School.

ALICE L. HOSMER. Teacher. Whole number of pupils enrolled for spring term, 1903 34 Whole number of pupils enrolled for fall term, 1903 43 Whole number of pupils enrolled for winter term, 1903-1904. 43 Average membership, 39. Average attendance, 38. Number of pupils over fifteen years of age 1 Number of pupils under twelve years of age, spring term, 1903, 22 Number of pupils under twelve years of age, fall term, 1903. 38 Number of pupils under twelve years of age, winter term, 1903-1904 Perfect in attendance: three years, Jennie D. McCullough, Ernest H. Moore; one year, Karl Kenney. Upper Primary School. EMILY F. ADAMS. Teacher. Whole number of pupils enrolled for spring term, 1903 . 33 Whole number of pupils enrolled for fall term, 1903 34 Whole number of pupils enrolled for winter term, 1903-1904. 33 Average membership, 31. Average attendance, 29. Perfect in attendance: none. Primary School. JULIA F. SMITH, Teacher. Whole number of pupils enrolled for spring term, 1903. 45 Whole number of pupils enrolled for fall term, 1903 47 Whole number of pupils enrolled for winter term, 1903-1904. 43 Average membership, 40. Average attendance, 36. Perfect in attendance: none." North-east School, District No. 4. ELIZABETH J. VILES, Teacher. Whole number of pupils enrolled for spring term, 1903. Whole number of pupils enrolled for fall term, 1903 27 Whole number of pupils enrolled for winter term, 1903-1904. 24 Average membership, 26. Average attendance, 24.

Perfect in attendance: none.

South-east School, District No. 5.

ALICE FLITCROFT, Spring term, HARRIET M. BROTCHIE, Fall and Winter terms,	Teac	hers.	
Whole number of pupils enrolled for spring term, 1903	.•		29
Whole number of pupils enrolled for fall term, 1903			24
Whole number of pupils enrolled for winter term, 1903	-1904		24
Average membership, 24. Average attendance, 22.			
Perfect in attendance: none.			

The average membership for the town year ending Feb. 29, 1904, is shown by the above tables to be 255.

Appropriations.

At the annual town-meeting held March 23, 1903, the following appropriations were made for the schools:—

Salaries of Tes	achers				\$7,500
Incidentals					3,500
Text-books					600
Conveyance of	pupils				3,000
Manual Traini	ng	• `	•		400
Total:					\$15,000

The Committee recommend that appropriations be made for the year 1904–1905 as follows:—

Salaries of Teachers					\$7,500
Incidentals .					4,500
Text-books .		•	,0		600
Conveyance of pupils			•,		3,250
Manual Training	:	. •			500
Total					\$16,350

The cost of keeping in repair the High School and Grammar School buildings and of heating them make desirable an increase in the appropriation for incidentals. The cost of additional service for conveyance requires an increase in the appropriation for that purpose, and the additional work done in the Manual Training classes makes a larger appropriation necessary there.

The following tables are based upon the auditor's reports for the past five years:—

APPROPRIATIONS FOR SCHOOLS AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETINGS.

	1899	1900	1901	1902	190 3
Salaries of teachers	\$6,500	\$7,000	\$7 ,500	\$7,500	\$7,500
Incidentals	2,200 600	2,200	3,000 600	3,000 600	3,500 600
Conveyance	2,995	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Manual Training	400	400	400	400	400
Total	\$12,695	\$13,200	\$14,500	\$14,500	\$15,000

It has long been the practice to use the entire amount appropriated for schools, if the whole was needed, and a deficit in one part of the appropriation is thus frequently made good by transferring an unexpended balance from some other part.

The following table shows the unexpended balances or deficits in the different parts of the appropriations for the past five years:—

	1899	1900	1901	1902	1903
Salaries of teachers	\$36 49 89 63 Deficit	\$301 96 { Deficit { 1,007 55	{ Deficit 592 60	\$422 94 { Deficit { 423 02	\$362 37 { Deficit { 381 82
Text-books	280 00	148 61 497 75	(Deficit	54 07 11 00	165 91 { Deficit 70 00
Manual Training Balance unexpended	91 86 \$442 89	59 78	\$209 28	\$109 99	Experience Property of the Pro
Deficit		\$1,103 40		-	{ Est. \$977 86

The results last given must be corrected by taking into account the bills remaining unpaid at the end of the financial year. The amount of these bills is sometimes enough to convert an apparent surplus into a real deficit. Bills of this character are usually paid out of the appropriation for "bills prior" made at the annual town-meeting next after the close of the financial year.

The amounts thus paid within the past five years have been as follows:—

1899	1900	1901	1902	1903
Nothing	\$1,103 95	\$120 64	\$259 59	Est. \$977.86

In 1900 there was also a special appropriation of \$5,000 for ventilation of the Grammar School Building, and \$4,096.08 of this appropriation was expended.

Transportation of Pupils.

It is unnecessary to repeat all that has been said in previous reports, and especially in the report for last year concerning this matter. Questions have arisen similar to those which have arisen in the past, and the Committee have endeavored to consult the convenience of the school children, and at the same time not to disregard the question of expense and the interests of the Town. Soon after the schools opened it was found necessary to run an additional barge through Wellesley and Chestnut Streets to the vicinity of Glen Road. The accommodations now provided are believed to be reasonably satisfactory.

The barges are now run over eight different routes.

Each barge makes two round trips per day, delivering the children at the schools about 8.20 o'clock A. M., and taking them away about 2.15 P. M. In estimating the number of seats in the barge no account is taken of the driver's seat. The distances given are for one round trip each way over the route designated. The routes are as follows:—

ROUTE No. 1. Starting from the Centre, thence going eastward along Central Avenue nearly to the Stony Brook Station on the Fitchburg Railroad, thence returning to the corner of Summer Street, thence southerly throughout the length of Summer Street to Mr. Baxter's house near the corner of River Street, thence back by Summer Street and Central Avenue to School Street and the schools. Vehicle, a two-horse barge of large size seating twenty-five persons. Miles traversed on a single round trip, about six.

ROUTE No. 2. Starting from the Centre, thence going westward along Central Avenue to the Wayland line, thence returning to the schools. Vehicle, a one-horse barge seating twelve persons. Miles traversed on a single round trip, about four.

ROUTE No. 4. Starting from the Centre, thence by Church Street to North Avenue, thence westwardly to the corner of Concord Street, thence returning to the schools, either by the same route or by Concord Street and Central Avenue. Vehicle, a two-horse barge of large size, seating thirty persons. Miles traversed on a single round trip, about seven.

ROUTE No. 8. Starting from the Centre, thence through Church Street to North Avenue, thence westwardly as far as schoolhouse No. 4, thence returning by the same route. Vehicle, a one-horse barge seating twelve persons. Miles traversed on a single round trip about four.

ROUTE No. 5. Starting from the Centre, thence through School, Newton and East Newton Streets, a private way, Oxbow Road and Glen Road to the house of Edward Jennings, thence returning by the same route to the intersection of East Newton Street and South Avenue, thence eastwardly on South Avenue to the corner of River Street, thence returning through South Avenue and Newton Street, Wellesley Street and School Street to the schools. Vehicle, a two-horse barge seating thirty. Miles traversed on a single round trip, about nine.

ROUTE No. 7. Starting from the Centre, thence westwardly through Central Avenue to Highland Avenue, thence through Highland Avenue to Chestnut Street, thence through Chestnut and Wellesley Streets to Mr. Lovewell's house on Glen Road, thence returning by the same route. Vehicle, a two-horse barge seating twenty persons. Miles traversed on a single round trip, about seven and one half.

Mr. P. J. McAuliffe runs the barges on the above routes numbered one, two, four, five, seven and eight.

ROUTE No. 3. Traversing Sudbury Road and Concord Street, Central Avenue and School Street to the schools, returning by the same route. Vehicle, a two-horse barge seating eighteen persons. Miles traversed in a single round trip, about six, or on stormy days somewhat more on account of detours.

Mr. L. E. Roberts owns and drives the barge on this route.

ROUTE No. 6. Traversing Winter Street to the corner of Bogle Street, thence through Brown Street to South Avenue near its intersection with Pine Street, thence through South Avenue, Wellesley and School Streets to the schools, returning by the same route. Vehicle, a

two-horse barge seating twenty-two persons. Miles traversed in a single round trip, about nine.

Mr. Jesse Caunt owns and drives this barge.

School Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. Franklin G. Cooper was re-elected custodian for the year 1903–1904 of all school grounds and buildings in use.

During the year new floors of hard pine have been laid in the vestibule, entry and side entry, and in the Upper Primary School room in the Grammar School building, also in the Intermediate School room and second floor entry. The walls of the Intermediate and the Grammar School rooms have been tinted and the ceiling of the High School room also, and the walls of the latter room have been cleaned.

The conditions of heating the High School and Grammar School buildings are still unsatisfactory, partly because of the great expense and partly because of the results. During the summer the Committee conferred with various persons about the heating apparatus in each building. Some changes and repairs were made in the heating apparatus of the Grammar School building and recently an additional radiator has been put in. About \$150 has been spent on the heating apparatus in that building and its condition is now fairly satisfactory. About \$500 has been spent on the furnaces and flues in the High School building, but even now the existing apparatus is insufficient to heat the building, and frequently throughout the winter the use of some rooms had to be abandoned for the time.

A valuable microscope has been bought for use in the High School and a new blackboard has been supplied for the District No. 5 School. New teachers' desks have been placed in the four rooms of the Grammar School building and also in the District No. 4 School.

Scholarship and Course of Study.

The excellent standards heretofore reached are maintained, and the course of study remains substantially as laid down at length in our report for 1901–1902.

Health of School Children.

There has been no interruption of the school work on account of sickness among the children. Their health has been good throughout the year. The schools at the Centre have been conducted every regular school-day.

School Text-Books.

At a special meeting, Sept. 11, it was voted to adopt the First Book of Physical Geography, by R. S. Tarr, for use in the schools. At the regular January meeting the textbook called "The Mother Tongue, Book One," by Sarah Louise Arnold and George Lyman Kittredge was adopted by vote of the Committee.

A list of the text-books in use may be found in the report for 1901–1902.

Music.

In this department Mr. Archibald reports as follows:—

"The work in music during the past year has followed much the same general plan as in previous years, and I am glad to report progress.

"More attention is being given to individual singing and to written work. The former gives pupils a confidence, which is much needed. The latter is given to fix in the mind the technique, which is important. If the children are trained to sing alone, — much as they recite alone in their other studies, — we shall soon get rid of the timidity which hinders progress and good work.

"All children can be trained to sing and to enjoy good music, although not all to the same degree. But this fact should not be emphasized any more than the matter of natural ability. We aim to teach a love of music and a willingness to express one's self in music.

"The written work is begun in the third grade and carried along through the upper grades and through the High School.

"This year we have continued the use of syllables for sight-reading purposes in the High School with good results. Many of the boys' voices do not change to bass until after they enter the High School. This fact makes it quite necessary that they have practice in reading in the Bass Clef; and it is especially for these boys that the practice in sight reading is continued through the High School. The spirit of the school is very good and the faithful work of the regular teachers should be mentioned. The new program which I have been following since September is working well, and I believe the same general results will be found as under the old program."

Drawing.

Work in this department has progressed quietly as usual and Miss Jewett says:—

"It is a pleasure to report that the work in drawing shows that the pupils see more intelligently and express what they see with more skill and a better feeling for beauty.

"The keynote of all good work is interest; and great has been my delight to have pupils show me the various articles that they have worked out at home from the designs which they made in school. Throughout the course in drawing the pupils are led to see the principles which underlie beauty. The curve of force, the curve of grace or reversed curve, and the spiral or curve of magnificence, have been called the keys that unlock the beauty of the universe. The pupils discover these curves in their nature drawing and apply them to their structural drawing.

- "In the teaching of decorative design, the abstract spot has been used with good results. Not only have the pupils gained a knowledge of the principles of rythm, balance and harmony, but they have the opportunity to develop their individuality, each design being true to the laws of beauty, while no two are alike.
- "The essentials of mechanical drawing are neatness and accuracy. The work cannot fail of being most helpful to a pupil, whether fitting for the technical school or not.
- "Let me thank the Committee for the new sets of instruments which they have provided for this work.
- "I think it would be an incentive for better work in object drawing if some Japanese vases and other objects of excellent proportion and color could be purchased for the use of the pupils, the collection to be added to from year to year.
 - "A few new casts would be appreciated by the class in charcoal."

Manual Training.

In November a petition signed by several pupils of the High School was presented, asking that an extra class in Manual Training be established, and the Committee voted to establish such a class, instruction to be given for two hours each week from that time until the Christmas recess. The attendance in this extra class, and the results reached, have been such as to justify the continuance of the class throughout the school year, and it has been continued.

Some additions have been made to the equipment of the Manual Training room, and the department is in good condition.

Mr. Perry makes the following report:-

TO THE COMMITTEE:

There are at present 61 pupils taking manual training, divided among the three upper grades as follows: sixth grade, 24; seventh grade, 18; and eighth grade, 19.

The classes are held on Thursday and Friday mornings from 8,35 to 10 and from 10 to 11,30.

At the beginning of the school year two new benches with tools were added to the equipment, giving the room a capacity of twenty pupils.

The children generally evince a strong interest in and liking for the work, as is indicated by their attention to construction and the care taken in finishing their models, two points alike to be observed with gratification, since concentration of mind, love of neatness and appreciation of beauty stand highest in the educational values to be derived from manual training.

Late in the fall a number of High School pupils petitioned the Committee to be allowed to receive instruction in manual training, which petition was granted, and a class of six boys was formed on Nov. 24. This class has since been increased by the addition of three boys and three girls, so that it has at present twelve members, and meets on Thursday afternoons directly after the close of the school session. From the first these pupils have been most enthusiastic, and their faithfulness to their work, and the quality of it, prove the sincerity of their request.

In January, at the suggestion of the instructor, sufficient additional tools were purchased to give each pupil a full set of those tools in almost constant use, thus obviating the necessity of waiting until another pupil had finished with the tool he required to complete his model. This action has given a material impetus to the work, and to each child a feeling of responsibility and confidence, which manual training seeks to cultivate and develop.

The thanks of the instructor are due to both the Committee and Superintendent for their ready response to his suggestions regarding course and equipment, and it is the aim of this department to prove the wisdom of their concurrence in these matters.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP E. PERRY, Instructor.

Donations.

The children of the Intermediate School raised by their own efforts a sum of money which they desired to use for procuring a picture for the Intermediate School room. On behalf of the Town the Committee subscribed the sum of \$10 toward the cost of the picture, "The Horse Fair," by Rosa Bonheur.

The beautiful gift made by Mr. Sears to the High School is mentioned in the Superintendent's report, and certain other gifts also. It is a pleasure to see the school rooms growing more attractive year by year.

Graduation and Public Exercises.

In addition to the usual graduation exercises in June an address was given by Mr. J. W. McDonald of the State Board of Education upon the topic, "The Responsibility of the Home in the Education of Children."

On Thursday evening, Feb. 11, 1904, a public debate was conducted by pupils of the High School upon the following question: "Resolved, That the services of Alexander Hamilton to his country were greater than those of Thomas Jefferson." The affirmative was upheld by Helen J. Roberts, Raymond W. Coburn, and Julian G. Bennett; the negative, by Charlotte S. Baxter, William O. Kenney and Mildred L. Brooks. There were also declamations by Marion Whitney, William H. Caunt, and Pauline E. Cooper. Books were offered as prizes for the team which best upheld its contention, and the members of the team having the affirmative were adjudged the winners. At intervals during the progress of the exercises, the entire school joined in rendering three songs, - "The King's Champion," Watson; "Clang of the Forge," Rodney; and "The Lord is Great," Mendelssohn.

The above report is respectfully submitted.

CAROLYN E. BURRAGE, SAMUEL C. BENNETT,

Committee.

Catalogue of names of children between five and fifteen years of age, on Sept. 1, 1903, being a supplement to the catalogues printed in the town reports for the three years preceding this present year:—

Acker, Albert C. Adams, Eloise A. Adams, Louise F.

Bacon, George W.
Bartholomew, Charles
Burnapp, Arthur F.
Burnapp, Mildred H.
Burnapp, Grace M.
Burnapp, Lucy M.
Berry, Harland C.
Boyce, John F.

Crouse, Helen G.
Cassidy, John E.
Craig, Wallace
Craig, David R.
Craig, Kenneth
Crenam, Franklin H.
Campbell, Irving
Campbell, Ernest

Drisdem, Arthur Donovan, William A.

Everett, Jane H. Everett, Catherine A.

Foss, George R. Fay, Peter J Foote, Roy A. Fiske, Hannah B.

Heath, Maxine G. Harris, Nathaniel Hunting, Lillian R. Hammond, Esther B. Harvey, Lillian S.

Kingsbury, William A. Kelley, Margaret Keefe, Arthur L. Kennedy, Carl A.

Lovewell, Edith W.

Mabey, Mineola R.
Maybey, Gordon W.
Maybey, Joseph C. B.
Maybey, Ernest L.
McNutt, Ella L.
McDonald, James
Mackie, Gordon H.
Mahan, George
McAuliffe, Robert W.

Newcomb, John W.

Pushee, George Horton Piper, Ralph

Redman, Edward S. Redman, Arthur R. Russell, Eleanor H. Ryan, Fred L. Scott, Jesse M. Storrow, James J., Jr. Sherman, Elizabeth K. Smith, Marjorie C. Smith, Illsley

Tyler, Hazel Thorndike, Rosanna D. Thorndike, Mary G. Viles, Marjorie

Ward, Alice G.
Ward, Margaret D.
Ward, Thomas J.
Whitney, John N.
White, Harvey

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS.

The Park Commissioners submit their report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904, as follows:—

	Dr.	CR.
Balance, March 1, 1903	\$ 344 2 9	
Received for grass	95 00	
Balance (deposited with Boston Safe		
Deposit and Trust Co.)		\$439 29
	\$439 29	\$ 439 29

DAVID W. LANE, ARTHUR L. COBURN, HENRY L. BROWN,

Park Commissioners of the Town of Weston.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

The Library Trustees have the honor of submitting the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904:—

The Trustees receive the income from the following funds:—

The Charles Merriam Fund	 	\$1,000
The Isaac Fiske Fund .		300
The Charles H. Fiske Fund		100
The Charles A. Hastings Fund		1,000
The Henry A. Gowing Fund		5,000
The Herbert Merriam Fund		1,000

Since the last report the note of the Town, in which \$4,000 of the above funds were invested, has been paid, and the proceeds have been re-invested, as stated below, in four (4.%) bonds of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, costing \$3,954.89, and the balance of said proceeds, \$45.11, has been added to the deposit in the Cambridgeport Savings Bank, which deposit was thereby raised to \$445.11.

The investment of funds now, therefore, stands as follows:—

Cambridgeport Savings Bank.		\$445	11
Newton Savings Bank		1,000	00
West Newton Savings Bank .		1,000	00
Waltham Savings Bank		1,000	00
Malden Savings Bank		1,000	00
Bonds of Am. Tel. & Teleg. Co		3,954	89

The income from these funds is to be expended for books, and by the terms of the gifts cannot be used to pay the incidental expenses of the Library.

By vote of the Town, the Trustees receive also the Dog Tax, which averages about \$350 a year. We have received from Mr. Francis Blake also the sum of \$51, being the amount of his salary and fees as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen during the current year. This, like Mr. Blake's previous gifts of the same character, is to be expended for books of reference.

For a full account of receipts and expenditures we refer to the reports of the Library Treasurer and the Town Auditor for the current year.

Mr. Joseph F. Lamson has again interested himself in procuring for the Library the loan of several objects of interest, consisting of an ancient flintlock fowling-piece, a variety of old pistols of the same character, one of them belonging to Nathan Warren of Kendal Green, and an ancient handcuff ploughed up on the farm of Marshall Cutting and loaned by D. Vittum, Esq.

The Library has been further enriched by the addition of portraits of Miss Elizabeth S. White, the late lamented Librarian, and of Mr. Oliver R. Robbins, for many years Chairman of the Library Trustees, whose death has occurred since the last report of this Board. For the first-mentioned gift we are indebted to the kind thoughtfulness of Mr. H. S. Sears, and the portrait of Mr. Robbins has been presented by his sisters.

The Town has already expressed, through the vote passed at the last annual meeting, its high appreciation of the value of Mr. Robbins' services to the Library during his long term of office as a member of its Board of Trustees, and of the great loss sustained in his death. As

time passes we realize yet more fully how much the Library owes to his wise counsels and watchful care, and rejoice that his devotion to its best interests has been of such permanent value in promoting its growth and prosperity.

The Library has also been recently deprived, to its great loss and to our regret, of the services of Mr. Henry G. Pearson, whose removal from town required his resignation from the office of Trustee. Mr. Pearson's familiarity with literature and his excellent judgment rendered him a valuable member of this Board.

The Town is now reaping the benefit of the appointment of an assistant to the Librarian a sufficient length of time before the death of Miss White for the former to have gained training and experience in the thorough and painstaking methods of the latter. Miss Pennock has therefore been able to continue the efficient and faithful management of the Library as administered so many years by her predecessor; for some particulars of which see the annexed report of the Librarian, and list of new books at the end of the general Town Report.

JUSTIN E. GALE,
HORACE S. SEARS,
ARTHUR T. JOHNSON,
Trustees of the Public Library.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Librarian submits the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904:—

Number of books purchased		393
Number of books presented	•	60
Number of magazine volumes bound		38
Number of books rebound		57
Number of volumes in the library		15,151
Number of volumes taken out during the year		14,620

Library hours, 2-5 and 6.30-9 p. m., daily, except Sundays, legal holidays and Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Books and pamphlets have been received during the year from, —

American Unitarian Association, Belmont Public Library, Brookline Public Library, Concord Free Public Library, Carnegie Free Library (Braddock, Pa.), Forbes Library (Northampton), Falmouth Free Public Library, Harper & Brothers, Interstate Commerce Commission, Lancaster Town Library, Leominster Public Library, Lowell Textile School, Lake Mohonk Conference, Malden Public Library, Massachusetts Free Public Library Commission, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Metropolitan Water Board, Massachusetts School for Feeble-Minded (Waltham), Mercantile Library Association, National Sound Money League, New York Public Library, Ontario Legislative Assembly, Salem Public Library, Secretary of Commonwealth, Smithsonian Institution, Superintendent of Immigration (Ottawa), Trustees of Public Reservations, Trustees Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, Massachusetts, United States Govern-

ment (various departments), Waltham Public Library, Weston Baptist Young People's Union, Francis Blake, Nathan H. Daniels, Francis A. Foster, Merrill French, D. S. Lamson, Herbert Merriam, Miss Sarah Robbins.

The following periodicals are now received at the library:—

Quarterly, - *American Journal of Archaeology, Forum, *Journal of American Folk-Lore, *Technology Quarterly, *Technology Review. Monthly, - American Country Life, American Kitchen Magazine, American Monthly Review of Reviews, Atlantic, Babyhood, Birds and Nature, *Boston Public Library Bulletin, Bookman, Canadian Horticulturist, Century, *Consular Reports, Cosmopolitan, Critic, Current Literature, Education, *Engineering Magazine. English Illustrated Magazine, *Forester, Frank Leslie's Popular Monthly, Good Housekeeping, *Handicraft, Harper's Bazar, Harper's Magazine, House Beautiful, *Journal of Association of Engineering Societies, Keith's Magazine, Ladies' Home Journal, Library Journal, Lippincott's Monthly Magazine, Literary News, Literary World, McClure's Magazine, Magazine of Art, Masters in Art, Munsey, National, *National Geographic Magazine, New England, North American Review, Our Four-footed Friends, Outing, Out West, Photo Era, Photo Miniature, Popular Science Monthly, Poultry Monthly, Saint Nicholas, Scribner's Magazine, Strand, *Traveller's Record, Wide World, World's Work.

Weekly,—*Christian Register, *Country Life, *Dunn's Review, *Electrical World, *Engineer, Harper's Weekly, Illustrated London News, Little Chronicle, Living Age, Nation, New England Homestead, Outlook, *Official Gazette of the United States Patent Office, Pathfinder, Public Opinion, Scientific American, Springfield Republican, Waltham Free Press, *Watchman, Youth's Companion.

Daily, — Boston Daily Evening Transcript.

The starred periodicals are gifts and in some cases are received at irregular intervals.

The following collections of pictures from the Massa-

chusetts Library Art Club have been on exhibition during the year, each collection remaining at the library about two and one half weeks:—

March 22-March 23, 1903, Hawaii.

March 23-April 13, Helman Taylor.

April 13-May 4, Rome No. 2.

May 25-June 15, Newfoundland.

June 29-July 20, Australia No. 2.

July 20-Aug. 10, Scotland No. 1.

Aug. 17-Sept. 7, Venice No. 3.

Sept. 14-Oct. 5, Canadian Pacific Railway.

Oct. 12-Nov. 9, Boston & Maine Railway.

Nov. 2-Nov. 23, American Sculpture.

Dec. 7-Dec. 28, Salisbury, England.

Feb. 2, 1904-Feb. 22, South Kensington Museum.

MAUDE M. PENNOCK, Librarian.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

The same deputies were appointed as last year,—Percy Warren and Arthur Cheney.

Total amount expended, \$174.85.

I have given hearings on petitions to remove trees on the following streets:—

On School Street, the trees were not removed.

On Elm Street, I removed three trees.

On Glen Road, I removed such trees as were necessary to widen the street.

On Ash street, I gave A. M. Upham permission to remove such trees as were necessary to widen the street.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN G. COOPER, Tree Warden.

REPORT OF THE FIRE ENGINEERS.

WESTON, Feb. 29, 1904.

To the Selectmen of Weston:

Gentlemen,— The Board of Fire Engineers and Forest Fire Wards submit their annual report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904, as follows:—

The Board organized April 21, 1903, with the choice of Benj. R. Parker, Chief; Nathan S. Fiske, First Assistant; B. H. Dickson, Jr., Second Assistant and Clerk. We take pleasure in reporting that the several companies and apparatus and the Fire Alarm System are in good condition.

According to the vote of the Town at last town-meeting we have installed a fire alarm box at the corner of Summer Street and Central Avenue.

We have also bought the 1,000 feet of hose voted for, and now feel that we have enough hose to carry out our recommendations in last year's Town Report.

During the year there have been twenty-four bell alarms and twenty still alarms, a total of forty-four alarms for building and wood fires.

There were eight building fires as follows:—

MARCH 2. House of E. C. Green, Central Avenue. Roof and upper stories burnt off; contents saved.

APRIL 10. Kenney Bros. Dry House. Slight damage to building; about one half of contents destroyed.

Nov. 7. Arthur J. Russell. Still alarm. Chimney fire.

Dec. 16. Edw. Jennings, Glen Road. Large barn burnt; surrounding buildings saved.

JAN. 3. Edw. Fiske, Central Avenue. Still alarm. Chimney and wood work; slight damage.

JAN. 27. D. B. Vittum, Lexington Street. Still alarm. Chimney. Feb. 3. Charles W. Hubbard, off South Avenue. Roof burnt off ell of farm cottage.

Feb. 16. Geo. A. Foote, office, Central Avenue. Lamp exploded; burnt contents of office. No alarm; extinguished by occupant.

The wood fires in the spring were much more numerous than usual; luckily none of them were very extensive, and were all extinguished quickly and before they had done serious damage. Nevertheless they caused a great deal of trouble and expense in handling.

In closing we wish to express our thanks and that of the Town to the Newton and Wellesley Fire Departments, for their valuable aid rendered at the Jennings and Hubbard fires. We recommend for the ensuing year the regular appropriation of \$1,500.

The reports of the different companies and the detail report of fires are hereby submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJ. R. PARKER,
NATHAN S. FISKE,
BRENTON H. DICKSON, Jr.,
Board of Fire Engineers of Weston.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

FOREMAN.

THOMAS E. COBURN.

ASSISTANT FOREMAN.
ARTHUR L. VITTUM.

CLERK.

ALBERT C. COBURN.

STEWARD.

EDWARD S. COBURN.

LADDERMEN.

John Finn, Jr.
James T. Foote.
John N. Guthrie.
Charles A. Rand.

Guy W. Trask. Herman F. Tucker. Herbert E. Tyler. Lemuel Vittum.

Walter Vittum.

SUBSTITUTE LADDERMEN.

Raymond Coburn.

Daniel Hennessey.

George Harrington. Lester Rand.

WESTON, Feb. 29, 1904.

To the Board of Fire Engineers:

In response to your request, I submit the following report of services rendered by Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, during the year ending this date:—

MARCH 2, 1903.

At 7.15 p. m., an alarm from Box 29, immediately followed by another, called eleven members to the fire, but as the services of this company were not needed, they returned to the truck house. On duty two hours.

MARCH 19, 1903.

An alarm from Box 34, at 3 P. M., called five members to the truck house. On duty one hour.

APRIL 10, 1903.

Eight members were called to the truck house, at 11 A. M., for an alarm from Box 24. On duty one hour.

APRIL 11, 1903.

A still alarm called one member to a fire in Hastings Railroad Station. On duty one hour.

APRIL 12, 1903.

Eight members reported at the truck house for an alarm from Box 26, at 1.40 p. m. On duty one hour.

APRIL 12, 1903.

At 3.40 P. M., an alarm from Box 26 called ten members to the truck house. On duty one hour.

APRIL, 12, 1903.

An alarm from Box 34, at 4.40 p. m., called ten members to the truck house. On duty one hour.

APRIL 19, 1903.

A still alarm called three members, at 5.30 P. M., for a fire on land of Mr. D. B. Vittum. On duty one hour.

APRIL 20, 1903.

At 11.05 a. m., an alarm from Box 76 called eight members to a fire near the Central Massachusetts Railroad. On duty one hour.

APRIL 20, 1903.

A still alarm, at 2.30 p. m., called one member to a blaze in the woods of Mr. E. J. Brown. On duty one hour.

APRIL 20, 1903.

At 4.30 p. m., an alarm from Box 76 called nine members to a fire near the one which occurred earlier in the day. On duty two hours.

APRIL 20, 1903.

There was a still alarm, at 8.45 p. m., calling two members to a brush fire on land of Miss Sarah B. Hagar. On duty one hour.

APRIL 30, 1903.

At 1.35 p. m., five members were called to the truck house on an alarm from Box 26. On duty one hour.

APRIL 30, 1903.

An alarm, at 3.25 p. m., from Box 76, was pulled, calling eleven members to a brush fire near the Weston and Waltham line. On duty one hour.

APRIL 30, 1903.

Five members, at 4.50 p. m., were called to the truck house on an alarm from Box 29. On duty one hour.

MAY 1, 1903.

An alarm from Box 28 called seven members, at 1.40 **P. M.**, to the truck house. On duty one hour.

MAY 2, 1903.

A still alarm, at 10 A. M., called two members to a brush fire on the line of the Boston & Maine Railroad, near the Hastings Organ Factory. On duty one hour.

MAY 11, 1903.

Nine members reported at the truck house at 12.20 p. M., for an alarm from Box 26. On duty one hour.

MAY 11, 1903.

At 1.45 p. m., an alarm from Box 76 called eleven members to a brush fire on land of Mr. Logan on Church Street. On duty two hours.

MAY 11, 1903.

Box 76 was pulled a second time at 5.20 p. M., the fire having broken out again. Twelve members responded. On duty one hour.

MAY 12, 1903.

At 11.40 A. M., alarms were given from Boxes 26 and 76, for the fire of the preceding day, which was difficult to extinguish, owing to the depth of the pine needles. Five members responded. On duty three hours.

May 12, 1903.

At 3.15 p. m., the whistle of the Organ Factory was blown as a call from Box 76. Eight members responded to a fire near the crossing of the Fitchburg Railroad and the Maine Central Railroad. On duty one hour.

MAY 13, 1903.

A still alarm, at 7 A. M., called three members to a brush fire on land of Mr. Logan. On duty one hour.

MAY 31, 1903.

An alarm from Box 32, at 11.50 A. M., called nine members to the truck house. On duty one hour.

June 2, 1903.

At 12.10 P. M., an alarm from Box 26 called seven members to the truck house. On duty one hour.

Aug. 1, 1903.

Five members reported at the truck house for an alarm, at 3.30 p. m., from Box 26. On duty one hour.

SEPT. 15, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 6.55 P. M., called seven members to the truck house. On duty one hour.

Nov. 1, 1903.

A still alarm called two members, at 3.10 P. M., to a fire on the line of the Boston & Maine Railroad. On duty one hour.

Nov. 3, 1903.

At 3.55 p. m., an alarm from Box 69 called nine members to a fire in woodland of Mr. N. S. Fiske. On duty one hour.

Nov. 7, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 6.35 P. M., called seven members to the truck house. On duty one hour.

Nov. 28, 1903.

Six members were called to the truck house at 3.15 P. M. by an alarm from Box 29. On duty one hour.

DEC. 16, 1903.

Eight members were called to the truck house by an alarm from Box 26, at 4.45 A. M. On duty one hour.

DEC. 17, 1903.

An alarm by telephone called four members, at 2.30 P. M., to the fire of the previous day, which was still burning, and was not considered safe to remain unguarded. On duty five hours.

Jan. 27, 1904.

At 12.30 P. M., a still alarm called two members to a fire in the house of Mr. D. B. Vittum on Lexington Street. On duty one hour.

FEB. 3, 1904.

An alarm, at 9.30 A. M., from Box 26, called four members to a fire in a house owned by Mr. Charles W. Hubbard, and occupied by Mr. Richard W. Dennison. On duty four hours.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT C. COBURN, Clerk.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 2.

FOREMAN,

T. W. Scott.

ASSISTANT FOREMAN AND STEWARD.

A. M. CHENEY.

CLERK.

GEORGE H. D. LAMSON.

LADDERMEN.

C. A. Hews. Harry F. Warren. Percy Warren.

Roy Smith.
J. M. Smith.
L. Hobart.

SUBSTITUTES.

E. Fiske.

A. Sibley.

C. Cooper.

Board of Fire Engineers, Weston, Mass.:

Dear Sirs, — In response to your request, I submit the following report of services rendered by Hook and Ladder No. 2, of Weston Fire Department, from date of last report, Feb. 28, 1903:—

MARCH 2, 1903.

Alarm from Box 29, 7.15 P.M., called the Company to the house of E. C. Green. All out at 9.35 P.M.

APRIL 10, 1903.

Alarm from Box 24, 11 A. M., called nine men to a fire in the dry house at Kenney's chair shop. By prompt action on the part of the Company, the fire was confined to the lumber piles within the house. All out at 2.05 P. M.

APRIL 12, 1903.

Alarm from Box 26, at 1.15 p. m., called six men to a brush fire at the corner of South Avenue and River Street. All out at 3.30 p. m.

ARPIL 12, 1903.

Alarm from Box 26, at 3.40 p. m., and Box 34, at 4.45 p. m., called five men to a brush fire at South Avenue and River Street. All ont at 6.15 p. m.

APRIL 18, 1903.

Still alarm, at 4.40 p. M., called four men to a brush fire on the land owned by William Whittemore. On duty one hour.

APRIL 20, 1903.

Alarm from Box 76, at 11.05 A. M., called seven men to the truck room. Dismissed at 11.35 A. M.

APRIL 20, 1903.

Alarm from Box 76, at 4.30 p. m., called four men to the truck room. Dismissed at 4.55 p. m.

APRIL 28, 1903.

Still alarm, at 3.15 P. M., called one member to a brush fire on the land of Allen Danforth. All out at 4.25 P. M.

APRIL 28, 1903.

Still alarm, at 4.45 p. m., called one member to a brush fire on the land of E. Sibley. All out at 6 p. m.

APRIL 30, 1903.

Alarm from Box 26, at 1.35 P. M., called six men to a brush fire on the Bigelow estate. All out at 3.30 P. M.

APRIL 30, 1903.

Alarm from Box 76, at 3.25 p. m., called five men to the truck room. On duty one hour.

APRIL 30, 1903.

Alarm from Box 29, at 4.50 P. M., called seven men to a brush fire on the land of Allen Danforth. All out at 6.55 P. M.

MAY 1, 1903.

Still alarm, at 7.15 A. M., called two men to a brush fire on the land of William Whittemore. On duty one hour.

MAY 1, 1903.

Alarm from Box 28, at 1. 40 P. M., called six men to a brush fire on the land of William Whittemore. All out at 4.50 P. M.

MAY 11, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 12 m., called members to wood fire on land of G. W. Emerson. All out at 1.20 p. m.

MAY 11, 1903.

An alarm from Box 76, at 1.45 p. m., called members to truck room.

MAY 11, 1903.

Alarm Box 76, at 5.20 P. M., called four men to the truck room. On duty one hour.

MAY 11, 1903.

Still alarm, at 7 P. M, called six men to a brush fire on the land of E. Sibley. All out at 9 P. M.

May 12, 1903.

Still alarm, at 10 A. M., called five men to a brush fire on the land of E. Sibley. All out at 11.20 A. M.

MAY 12, 1903.

Still alarm, at 11.40, A. M., called five men to a brush fire on the land of Mr. Brigham. All out at 1.30 P. M.

May 12, 1903.

An alarm from Boxes 26 and 76, at 12 noon called four men to a brush fire on the land of Mr. Albert W. Brigham. All out at 1.15 p. m.

MAY 12, 1903.

Alarm from Box 76, at 3.15 p. m., called members to truck room. Dismissed.

MAY 13, 1903.

Still alarm for a fire which proved to be outside the town boundary called two men to the truck room at 4 p. m. Dismissed at 5.30 p. m.

MAY 31, 1903.

Alarm from Box 32, at 11.50 A. M., called six men to a brush fire on the land of the Metropolitan Water Works. All out at 3 P. M.

JUNE 1, 1903.

Still alarm, at 9 P. M., called four men to a brush fire on the land of Metropolitan Water Works. All out at 11.25 P. M.

June 2, 1903.

Alarm from Box 26, at 12.10 p. m., called the Company to a brush fire on the land of the Metropolitan Water Works. All out at 2.30 p. m.

Aug. 1, 1903.

Alarm from Box 26, at 3.30 P. M., called four men to a fire at the Boston & Maine Railroad bridge on Conant Road. All out at 4 P. M.

SEPT. 15, 1903.

Alarm from Box 26, at 6.50 p. m., called eight men to a brush fire on Pigeon Hill. All out at 8.30 p. m.

Nov. 3, 1903.

Alarm from Box 69, 3.55 p. m., called four men to the truck room. On duty one hour.

Nov. 7, 1903.

Alarm from Box 26, at 6.35 p. m., called five men to a chimney fire at the house of Arthur J. Russell on Pigeon Hill. All out at 7.35 p. m.

Nov. 28, 1903.

Alarm from Box 29, at 3.15 p. m., called two men to a brush fire on the land of Edward Sibley and Frank Bigelow's estate. About two acres burnt over. All out at 4.40 p. m.

DEC. 16, 1903.

Alarm from Box 26, at 4.45 A. M., called five men to the barn of Edward Jennings. The alarm was pulled so late the Company could do nothing to save the main building. All out at 9.45 A. M.

DEC. 17, 1903.

Still alarm, at 2.30 P. M., called three men to a small fire on the estate of Edward Jennings. All out at 7.20 P. M.

Feb. 3, 1904.

Alarm from Box 26, at 9.30 A. M., called five men to a house owned by Charles W. Hubbard and occupied by R. W. Dennison. Fire caused by overheated flue. All out at 1.50 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. D. LAMSON.

Clerk of Hook and Ladder No. 2.

Hose Company No. 1.

FOREMAN.

F. C. MULOCK.

ASSISTANT FOREMAN. F. A. SHERBURNE.

CLERK.

N. B. SHERBURNE.

HOSEMEN.

J. J. Brown.C. A. Poutas.A. Sherman.

G. Upham.
F. G. Hews.
J. W. Tozier.

G. Eaton.

SUBSTITUTES.

W. B. Robbins. C. Robbins.

M. Shuman.
J. Ketchum.

To Board of Fire Engineers, Weston, Mass.:

In response to your request, I submit the following report for fire service rendered by Hose Company No. 1, Weston Fire Department, from Feb. 28, 1903, to Feb. 29, 1904:—

MARCH 2, 1903.

An alarm from Box 29, at 7.15 P. M., called nine men to fire in house of E. C. Green on Central Avenue. All out, 9.35 P. M.

MARCH 19, 1903.

An alarm from Box 34, at 3 P. M., called four men to bush fire on land owned by Roy Mathews, South Avenue. All out, 4.40 P. M.

APRIL 10, 1903.

An alarm from Box 24, at 11 A. M., called fifteen men to fire in dry house of Kenney Bros. All out, 2.05 P. M.

APRIL 12, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 1.15 p. m., called seven men to truck room. Dismissed at 2 p. m.

APRIL 12, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 3.40 p. m., called six men to truck room. Hose company did not respond.

APRIL 18, 1903.

Still alarm, at 4.40 P. M., called six men to truck room. Hose dismissed at 5.40 P. M.

APRIL 20, 1903.

An alarm from Box 76, at 11 A. M., called five men to truck room. No second alarm.

APRIL 20, 1903.

An alarm from Box 76, at 4.25 p. m., called five men to truck room. No second alarm.

APRIL 30, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, 1.35 p. m., called two men to brush fire on land of Bigelow. All out, 3.30 p. m.

APRIL 30, 1903.

An alarm from Box 76, at 3.25 P.M., called two men to truck room. Dismissed 4 P.M.

APRIL 30, 1903.

An alarm from Box 29, at 4.50 P. M., called three men to brush fire on land of A. Danforth. All out, 6.55 P. M.

MAY 1, 1903.

Still alarm, at 7.15 A. M., called Company to brush fire on land of W. Whittemore. On duty one hour.

MAY 1, 1903.

An alarm from Box 28, at 1.40 P. M., called three men to brush fire on land of W. Whittemore. All out, 4.50 P. M.

MAY 11, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 12 M., called three men to brush fire on land of G. W. D. Emerson, Central Avenue. All out, 1.20 P. M.

MAY 11, 1903.

Box 76, at 1.45 P. M., called members to truck room. Dismissed.

MAY 11, 1903.

An alarm from Box 76, at 5.20 P. M., called two men to truck room. No second alarm.

MAY 11, 1903.

A still alarm, at 7 p. m., called seven men to brush fire on land of E. Sibley. All out, 9 p. m.

MAY 12, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, and Box 76, at 12 M., called three men to brush fire on land of Albert W. Brigham, Church Street. All out, 1.15 P. M.

MAY 12, 1903.

An alarm from Box 76, at 3.15 P. M., called members to truck room. Dismissed.

MAY 13, 1903.

A still alarm, at 4 P. M., called one man to brush fire in South Side. On duty two hours.

May 31, 1903.

An alarm from Box 32, at 11.50 A. M., called nine men to truck room. Hose company did not respond. Dismissed at 12 50 P. M.

JUNE 1, 1903.

Still alarm, at 9 P. M., called seven men to brush fire on land of Metropolitan Water Works and J. M. Upham. All out, 11.25 P. M.

June 2, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 12.10 p. m., called four men to brush fire on land Metropolitan Water Works on River Street. All out, 2.30 p. m.

Aug. 1, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 3.30 P. M., called three men to fire in bridge of Boston & Maine Railroad, on Conant Road. All out at 4 P. M.

SEPT. 15, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 6.50 p. m., called nine men to brush fire on Pigeon Hill. All out, 8.30 p. m.

Nov. 3, 1903.

An alarm from Box 69, at 3.50 P. M., called two men to truck room. No second alarm. Dismissed at 4.50 P. M.

Nov. 7, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 6.35 p. m., called five men to chimney fire in house of A. J. Russell on Pigeon Hill. No damage. All out, 7.50 p. m.

Nov. 28, 1903.

An alarm from Box 29, at 3.15 p. m., called two men to brush fire on land of E. Sibley. All out, 4.40 p. m.

DEC. 16, 1903.

An alarm from Box 26, at 4.45 a. m., called five men to fire in barn of Ed. Jennings. By work of firemen the outer building was saved. All out, 9.45 a. m.

JAN. 3, 1904.

Still alarm, at 1.15 P. M., called one member to fire, house of Edward Fiske, Central Avenue.

FEB. 3, 1904.

An alarm of Box 26, at 9.30 A. M., called two men to fire in house owned by Charles W. Hubbard and occupied by R. W. Dennison. By good work of men the adjoining buildings and main part of house were saved. All out, 1.50 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

N. B. SHERBURNE, Clerk Hose Company I, Weston F. D.

Hose Company No. 2.

FOREMAN.

A. E. COBURN.

ASSISTANT FOREMAN.

C. L. BERRY.

CLERK AND STEWARD.

H. W. COBURN.

HOSEMEN.

E. Vittum.

C. Frederickson.

W. F. Harrington.

R. W. Eldridge.

FEB. 29, 1904.

To the Board of Fire Engineers, Weston, Mass.:

In response to your request, I submit the following report for fire service rendered by Hose Company No. 2, Weston Fire Department, from Feb. 28, 1903, to Feb. 29, 1904:—

MARCH 2.

An alarm from Box 29, at 7.15 p. m., followed by second. Three members responded to a fire on the estate of Edward C. Green at the corner of Elm Street and Central Avenue, the house occupied by Mr. James Gilbert. The furniture was all saved; the house was badly gutted. On duty two hours.

MARCH 19.

An alarm from Box 34, at 3 P. M., called one member to the hose house. Time, one hour.

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An alarm from Box 24, at 11 A. M., called three members to the hose house. Time, one hour.

APRIL 12.

An alarm from Box 26, at 1.40 p. m., called two members to the hose house. Time, one hour.

APRIL 12.

An alarm from Box 26, at 3.40 r. m., called one member to the hose hose. On duty one hour.

APRIL 12.

An alarm from Box 34, at 4.40 p. m., called one member to the hose house. On duty one hour.

APRIL 19.

A still alarm called two members to a fire on the estate of D. B. Vittum, at 5.30 p.m. On duty one hour.

APRIL 20.

An alarm from Box 76, at 11.05 A. M., called three members to a brush fire on the land of Mr. Logan. On duty one hour.

APRIL 20.

An alarm from Box 76, at 4. 30 p.m., called three members to a brush fire on land of Mr. Logan, and returning, put out a fire on the estate of Miss S. B. Hagar and E. J. Brown. On duty two hours.

APRIL 20.

A still alarm, at 8.45 p. M., called one member to a fire on the estate of Miss S. B. Hagar. On duty one hour.

APRIL 30.

An alarm from Box 26, at 1.35 P. M., called one member to the hose house. On duty one hour.

APRIL 30.

An alarm from Box 76, at 3.25 p. m., called five members to a fire on land of Mr. Coburn. On duty one hour.

APRIL 30.

An alarm from Box 29, at 4.50 p. m., called two members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

MAY 1.

An alarm from Box 28, at 1.40 p.m., called two members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

MAY 2.

A still alarm, at 8.30 A. M., called one member to a fire on land of F. H. Hastings. On duty one hour.

MAY 11.

An alarm from Box 26, at 12 noon, called two members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

MAY 11.

An alarm from Box 76, at 1.15 p.m., called three members to a fire on land of Mr. Logan. On duty two hours.

MAY 11.

An alarm from Box 76, at 5.20 p. m., called six members to a fire on land of Mr. Logan. On duty one hour.

MAY 12.

An alarm from Box 76 and Box 26, at 12. M., called four members to a fire on land of Mr. Logan. On duty three hours.

MAY 12.

An alarm from Box 76, at 3.15 p. m., called four members to a fire on land of E. J. Brown. On duty one hour.

MAY 13.

A still alarm, at 7 A. M., called one member to a fire on land of Mr. Logan. On duty one hour.

MAY 31.

An alarm from Box 32, at 11.50 A. M., called three members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

June 2.

An alarm from Box 26, at 12.10 p.m., called four members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

Aug. 1.

An alarm from Box 26, at 3.30 p. m., called two members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

SEPT. 15.

An alarm from Box 26, at 6.50 p. m., called two members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

Nov. 1.

A still alarm, at 3.10 p. m., called one member to a fire on land of E. J. Brown and Miss S. B. Hagar. On duty one hour.

Nov. 3.

An alarm from Box 69, at 3.55 p. m., called four members to a fire on land of N. S. Fiske. On duty one hour.

Nov. 7.

An alarm from Box 26, at 6.35 p. m., called two members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

Nov. 28.

An alarm from Box 29, at 3.15 p. m. No members responded.

DEC. 16.

An alarm from Box 26, at 4.45 A. M., called three members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

DEC. 17.

An alarm, at 2.30 p. m., called three members to the fire at Edw. Jennings's. On duty five hours.

FEB. 3.

An alarm from Box 26, at 9.30 A. M., called two members to the hose house. On duty one hour.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD W. COBURN, Clerk of Hose Company No. 2, W. F. D.

REPORT OF THE POLICE.

SERVING UNDER PAY OF METROPOLITAN WATER AND SEWERAGE BOARD.

Arrests	made	duri	ng	the ye	ear e	nding	Feb.	29,	190)4: -	_
Drunkennes	8 .										10
Assault .											9
Cruelty to a	nimals			•			•				6
Larceny .			•					٠			5
Tramp .					, •						4
Stubborn chi											
Nuisance											
Violation of											
Trespass.											1
Violation of	quaran	tine la	w								3
											43

DARIUS B. VITTUM, Chief.

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

The Overseers of the Poor respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904:—

Mr. Oliver L. Sherburne, after serving the Town faithfully as an Overseer of the Poor for several years, declined a re-election. At the annual town-meeting held March 23, 1903, Mr. George N. Abercrombie was chosen an Overseer of the Poor for three years, but declined to accept that office. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Overseers of the Poor, held April 11, 1903, Mr. Edward P. Ripley was chosen an Overseer of the Poor, to serve until the next annual town-meeting. The Board organized with Mr. Henry A. Wheeler as Chairman.

After a long service, during which he enjoyed the full confidence of the Board, Mr. Henderson, the Superintendent at the Almshouse and Town Farm, resigned April 1, 1903, and Mr. William Randall was engaged as his successor.

There has been but one inmate of the almshouse during the past year, — Joseph Seaverns, sixty-four years old, admitted Dec. 22, 1885. 513 tramps have been lodged during the year.

We would ask for an appropriation of \$1,200 for the ensuing year.

Almshouse.

RECEIPTS.

Milk				\$735	10
Poultry and eggs				101	90
Cows and calves				136	00
Vegetables .				28	15
Hay					21
Cash from Middleses				15	00
From appropriation				480	28

\$1,519 64

Almshouse.

EXPENDITURES.

Geo. W. Henders	son, sal	ary 1	l mo.			\$29 13
Wm. Randall, sa	lary 11	mos				275 00
Labor						34 00
Groceries					•	254 97
Meat and provisi	ons					94 51
Household goods						25 70
Hay and grain.						424 43
Brewers' grains						37 50
Cows						125 00
Double harnesses						37 25
Blacksmith .						36 66
Repairs						46 24
Plants and seeds				, •		4 74
Coal						48 05
Expenses to Tew	ksbury	r .				4 50
Expenses to Acto						16 00
Sundries						24 96
New England Ho	omeste	ad				1 00
					,	n.,

\$1,519 64

Outside Relief.

The following persons have received the year:—	assi	stan	ce dur	ing					
Patrick Burke and family, Waltham			\$208	00					
Bridget Sullivan, Waltham			60	00					
Mary Veno, Waltham			36	00					
Hattie M. Smith and family			120	00					
Bigelow Gleason		- •	94	28					
Josephine Harding			146	00					
Mary Poutas			169	46					
Haagen Jacobsen				79					
\$888 { Summary.									
Drawn from treasury for excess of ex	xner	ndi-							
	_		\$480	28					
Drawn from treasury for Outside Relief			888						
Total expenditure for the poor .	•		\$1,368	81					

HENRY A. WHEELER, HOWARD L. COOPER, EDWARD P. RIPLEY,

Overseers of the Poor.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Board of Health hereby submits the following as its report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904:—

On April 7, 1903, the Board met and organized with E. O. Clark as Chairman. Once at least, and frequently oftener, in each month the Board has met to consider such matters as might come before it.

Mr. George W. Cutting was reappointed agent of the Board to receive certificates of death and issue burial permits.

Licenses were granted as follows:

UNDERTAKERS. — F. H. Upham, F. G. Cooper, Grafton Kirwin.

To Slaughter. — Mr. Henry Zoller, Mrs. Kate Sheehan, Mr. A. Barker, Mr. T. L. Hagar.

Several others applied, but for many reasons the Board did not think it wise to grant other licenses.

Plumbing Permits. — Fourteen.

There were ten cases of contagious diseases:—

Typhoid Fever					4
Tuberculosis					2
Scarlet Fever					2
Diphtheria				•	1
Measles .					1

Last year an appropriation of \$250.00 was made for improving the condition of the stream and meadows between Linwood and Central Avenues; of this amount about one

half has been used, and while the conditions are not yet as we wish them to be, nor as they will later be, still, not-withstanding the very early and severe frosts and the almost unprecedented fall of snow, there is no water now standing on the meadows, nor is the stream as full as usual at this season. As soon as practicable we expect to satisfactorily complete our work in this connection. We wish herein to express our appreciation of the assistance which all abutters kindly extended to us.

EVERETT O. CLARK,
G. N. ABERCROMBIE,
FREDERICK T. HYDE, M.D.,
Board of Health.

FEB. 29, 1904.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF CATTLE AND PROVISIONS.

To the Selectmen of Weston, Mass.:

I submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 29, 1904:—

Number of	Cattle	exa	mined	in :	Barns	3:				
Cows in	Milk		•		•				•	803
										170
Young C	attle		• <			•		•		117
Bulls	• ,					•				30
Oxen										-<1
Sheep	•	٠				•	•	•		18
Swine	•	٠	•	•	•	• •		•	•	557
Number of Cattle examined at Slaughter House 236										236
								• 1	•	431
66 66	Swine	٠	•				•			124
Number o	f Catt	le (examin	ed	and	taken	by	State	for	
Tubercul	losis			٠		•				38
Number o	f Hors	ses	examin	ed	and	taken	by	State	for	
Glanders	· .		•			•		•	•	7
		Ro	anactf	111	TT 011	hmitte	- A			

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. BLOOD,
Inspector of Cattle and Provisions.

REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF BURIAL-GROUNDS.

report f				0					followi	ng
Approp				of lots		• .			\$1,000 46	00 50
Total re	-	ture				•		•	\$1,046 1,040	
Balance	unex	pend	ed.			*	•		\$6	32
	SA	LES (OF LO	OTS DU	RING	THE	YEA	R.		
Lot No.	1, P	lot J							\$108	40
"	7 '								33	20
"	2 4	· E				·			15	00
66 66	3 6	, C							21	00
"	5	' G	•	•					18	00
"	5	" A							28	50
"	186			•	• ,				26	30
1 Single	-grave	lot,	Lot I	No. 10					5	00
1 "	6.6	. " "	"	" 41		٠			10	00
									\$265	40

The usual care has been taken of Linwood Cemetery and the several burying-grounds in town. An itemized list of the expenditures is published by the Auditor at page 149 of this volume.

At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Trustees of Burial-grounds, held May 9, 1903, Mr. Henry L. Brown was chosen a Trustee of Burial-grounds, to serve until the next annual town-meeting, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Francis B. Ripley, who had served as a Trustee since the year 1897.

The death of Mr. Albert H. Hews during the month of July was a serious loss to the Town. Mr. Hews had served as a Trustee of Burial-grounds since the year 1895, and the beauty of Linwood Cemetery is largely due to the zeal and the ability with which he rendered his services.

In their last annual report, the Trustees called the attention of the Town to the desirability of enlarging Linwood Cemetery; and they now express their hearty approval of the scheme therefor presented by the Selectmen in their annual report and published at page 46 of this volume.

FRANKLIN G. COOPER, HENRY L. BROWN, Trustees of Burial-grounds.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS.

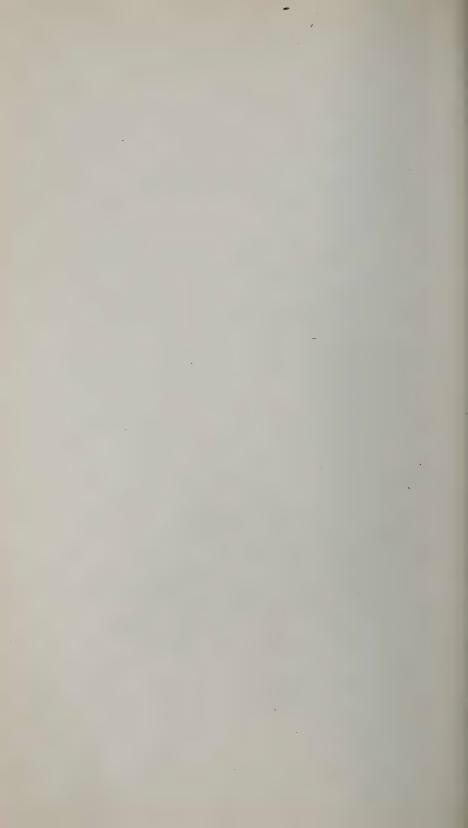
The Board of Assessors submit the f	ollow	ing rej	port:—
Number of residents assessed on prope	rty		347
" others assessed on property			68
" non-residents assessed on	prope	rty,	39
" all others assessed on prope	rty		14
Total assessed on property			468
" for poll-tax		•	*575
Number of acres of land assessed .		1.0	9,806
" dwelling-houses		•	414
" horses assessed			533
" cows assessed	• 1		849
" neat cattle other than cows	asses	sed,	52
" " swine assessed			110
" " sheep assessed			8
" " fowls assessed			4,273
Value of land exclusive of buildings		\$1,30	8,775 00
" " buildings exclusive of land			1,325 00
Total value of real estate	•	\$2,77	0,100 00
" " personal estate	•	2,46	5,447 00
Total valuation			5,547 00
Increase		36	3,577 00

^{*}Eleven residents were assessed for poll-tax after May 1, 1903, making the total number of residents so assessed during the year ending Feb. 29, 1904, 586.

State tax			\$4,250	00
" "repairs of State highway			157	60
Metropolitan Park tax			3,033	69
County tax			5,567	16
Appropriated by the Town .		•	53,010	00
Overlayings		•	204	40
Total	•		\$66,222	85
Deducted for estimated incom			19,000	00
Amount assessed			\$47,222	 85
Assessed on personal property.			\$21,695	97
" real estate			24,376	88
" " polls		•	1150	00
Total assessed			\$47,222	85

HENRY L. BROWN, NATHAN S. FISKE, DAVID W. LANE,

Assessors of Weston.



AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 29, 1904.

Bills Prior.

Appropriation			\$500	00
April 11, 1903.				
Geo. A. Foote, 4020 lbs. coal at				
\$12.50 per ton	\$25	13		
Robert Winsor, 31,820 lbs. coal .	197	28		
Freight charges	9	75		
Geo. A. Foote, 5,160 lbs. coal.	21	93		
Geo. A. Foote, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood	5	50		
Andrew Fiske, Registrar of Voters.	30	- 00		
H. B. Frost, M. D., professional services	8	75		
F. H. Kirwin, as per bill	1	00		
A. M. Cheney, as per bill	93	55		
Pettingell, Andrews Co., as per bills,	6	16		
April 13.				
Francis Blake, salary as Selectman				
for year ending Feb. 28, 1903 .	50	00		
Balance unexpended transferred to				
Contingent Fund	50	95		
	\$500	00	\$500	00

Town Incidentals.

Appropriation			\$3,500	00
Alfred Mudge & Son, printing Town Reports April 11.	\$496	75		
Weston Elec. Lt. Co., Town-house.	54	84		
Mary F. Peirce, work on town				
records	6	00		
E. L. Barry, printing	9	5 0		
Frank Barker, delivering reports .	8	00		
Arthur L. Hersum, plumbing .	4	50		
Fred L. Butman, 2 check books .	13	50		
Geo. V. Hildreth, committing to				,
House of Correction	7	85		
Train & Jennison, premium, bond				
of Treasurer and Collector	60	00		
May 9.				
G. A. Blood, inspecting cattle, sheep				
and swine	189	00		
H. L. Cooper, as per bill	13	10		
M. D. Jones & Co., 30 star markers,	9	00		
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes May 15.	1	00		
E. A. Newbury, Memorial Day . June 13.	7	50		
Wright & Potter Printing Co., as				
per bill.	2	60		
F. W. Archibald, Memorial Day				
exercises	5	16		
Amounts carried forward .	\$888	30	\$3,500	00

Amounts brought forward .	\$888	30	\$3,500	00
Oliver Ditson Co., music		35	Ψο,ουυ	00
C. M. Eaton, copying music		82		
Kidder Greenhouses, as per bill .	17			
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., as per bill.	8			
P. J. McAuliffe, carriage hire		00		
Alice E. Jones, directing postal cards		50		
E. L. Barry, as per bill	9			
J. M. Smith, bulletin-board, etc.		25		
John L. Harvey, written opinion .		00		
Thomas Groom & Co., 1 assessor's	10	00		
book	2	00		
G. W. Cutting, recording deaths,	~	00		
births and marriages	26	40		
G. W. Cutting, attending Town	20	,		
Clerks' meeting	6	00		
July 11.	· ·			
Gen. L. Stephenson, Memorial Day				
oration	21	46		
Am. Watch Co. Band, Memorial Day		92		
D. B. Vittum, court order		20		
A. F. Sibley, court order		00		
Geo. Faber, court order		30		
Geo. V. Hildreth, court order		07		
Geo. V. Hildreth, officer's services.		50		
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co		00		
G. W. Cutting & Sons, as per bill.	40	07		
G. A. Foote, 21,783 lbs. coal	76	24		
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes	1	00		
D. B. Vittum, posting warrant, etc.,	6	00		
Fred H. Kirwin, repairs on furnace,		5 0		
,				

Amounts carried forward . \$1,219 71 \$3,500 00

Amounts brought forward .	\$1,219	71	\$3,500	00
T. W. Scott, police duty	3	00		
Edw. Compton, police duty	3	00		
D. B. Vittum, police duty	3	00		***
Geo. Faber, police duty	3	00		
A. H. Dunn, police duty	3	00		
A. F. Sibley, police duty	3	00		
H. P. Heard, police duty	3	00		
J. M. Smith, police duty	3	00		
P. J. McAuliffe, police duty	3	00		
Melvin Sherman, police duty	3	00		
Silas Baxter, police duty	3	00		
G. H. D. Lamson, police duty	3	00		
C. A. Freeman, police duty	3	00		
F. E. Doty, police duty	3	00		
N. S. Fiske, police duty	3	00		
Roland Rand, police duty	3	00		
Richard Atkinson, police duty	3	00		
Aug. 8.				
Warner, Warner & Stackpole, as				
per bill	75	00		
Arthur L. Hersum, as per bill .	1	25		
Weston Elec. Lt. Co., Town-house.	90	71		
Weston Water Co., Town-house				
fountain	75	00		
Weston Water Co., K. G., fountain	37	50		
Weston Water Co., Town-house .	11	40		
E. L. Barry, tax bills, envelopes,				
etc	29	25		
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., as per bill.	10	26		
L. F. Vittum, as per bill	2	00		
				_
Amounts carried forward .	\$1,603	08	\$3,500	00

Amounts brought forward .	\$ 1.603	08	\$3,500 00
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Sept. 12.		•	
E. S. Coburn, delivering reports .	2	50	
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., per N. S.			
Fiske	9	91	
Thomas Groom & Co., 1 tax			
record book	1	75	
F. G. Cooper, Tree Warden		85	
Harry Browning, difference in			
fares		44	
Silas Baxter, as per bill	4	80	
Transferred to Survey of Town .	250	00	
Oct. 10.			
Geo. V. Hildreth, as per bill	8	35	•
H. J. White, Treas., stamped			
envelopes	26	80	
F. G. Cooper, Tree Warden	44	85	
J. M. Smith, care town clock.	12	50	
J. M. Smith, care Town-house, bal.			
to Sept. 1	8	00	
Nov. 14.			
Charles S. Wheeler, Collector of			
Taxes, Town of Lincoln	7	65	
G. A. Blood, inspecting cattle	116	50	
Richard Atkinson, police duty,			
previous year	3	00	
H. F. Whittemore, Teller, State			
election		00	
H. A. Wheeler, Teller, State election	3	00	

Amounts carried forward . \$2,180 63 \$3,500 00

Amounts brought forward .	\$2,180	63	\$3,500	00
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes	1	00	Ť	
John N. McClintock, oak case, etc.,	100	00		
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., ex-service to				
Dec. 31, N. S. Fiske	8	19		
P. B. Murphy, 200 dog blanks .	1	75		
Fred H. Kirwin, smoke pipe, etc	- 12	25		
F. G. Cooper, Tree Warden	134	00		
Dec. 12.				
F. T. Hyde, as per bill	29	30		
Train & Jennison, ins. premium .	67	50		
William C. Smith, prof. advice .	2	00		
Madison Bunker, as per bill	8	50		
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co	13	20		
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes	1	00		
Chickering & Sons, tuning piano .	3	00		
Melvin & Badger, as per bill	7	50		
Jan. 9, 1904.				
G. V. Hildreth, as per bill	4	80		
A. H. Dunn, police duty	21	00		
Geo. Faber, court order	2	24		
Feb. 13.				
Waltham National Bank, rent of				
safe vault	7	00		
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes	2	00		
Weston Water Co., as per bill .	54	81		
Arthur L. Hersum, as per bill .	13	75		
Weston Water Co., K. G. fountain,	37	50		
Weston Water Co., Town-house				
fountain	75	00		

Amounts carried forward . \$2,787 92 \$3,500 00

Amounts brought forward .	\$2,787	92	\$3,500 00
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., Police	*		
Department	10	-	
Train & Jennison, ins. premium .	, . 82	5 0	
N. S. Fiske, as per bill	13	31	
Alice E. Jones, copying tax list .	15	00	
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., per N. S.			
Fiske	8		
Edw. Fiske, Teller, State election .			
G. W. Cutting & Son, as per bill .	37	00	
J. M. Smith, as per bill			
Waltham Pub. Co., printing 50			
signs	7.50	5 0	
signs	9.	44	
Weston Elec. Lt. Co.	₹ 6	54	
Feb. 29.	• • •		
Fred Merritt Stiles, M. D., birth			
returns	1	00	
H. J. White, postage and sta-			
tionery		22	
H. J. White, Ballot Clerk	3	00	
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co	1	34	
S. C. Bennett, legal opinion	15	00	
C. H. Fiske, professional services .	66	58	*
C. H. Fiske, professional services .	. 11	5 0	
G. A. Foote, 4,965 lbs. coal	17	38	
C. A. Poutas, Treas., 1 oak table, 3			
· oak chairs	20	00	
Geo. W. Henderson, as per bill .	2	24	
E. O. Clark, as per bill	19	4 0	
Geo. N. Abercrombie, as per bill .	14	00	
`			
Amounts carried forward .	\$3,175	96	\$3,500 00

Amounts brought fo	orwa	rd		\$3,175	96	\$3,500	00
Edw.P. Ripley, Teller, S				3			
H. L. Cooper, Teller, St	ate	electi	on,	3	00		
H. L. Cooper, attenda	nce a	at Ca	ım-				
bridge, Arlington case	е.			3	00		
G. W. Cutting, as per b	oill	•	, ,	46	28		
				4	75		
Transferred to Continge				264	01		
				\$3,500	00	\$3,500	00
Cabaala	0-1		e m				
Schools -	Salai	ries o	1 1	eachers.			
Appropriation .		•	•			\$7,500	00
Charles M. Eaton .				\$1,900	00		
Pauline McDowell 7.				700	00		
Emma F. Ripley .				599	65		
Alice L. Hosmer .				495	95		
Anna M. Rochefort.				624	52		
Emily F. Adams .	• .			536	75		
Julia F. Smith .				536	75		
Alice Flitcroft	•			143	00		
Harriet M. Brotchie				275	00		
Elizabeth J. Viles .				394	75		
Dora L. Kirwin .				182	00		
Constance E. Burrage				45	00		
Jeannette Norris .				120	00		
Sarah E. Jewett .				250	03		
F. W. Archibald .			1	334	23		
Balance unexpended tr	ansf	erred	to				
School Incidentals		•		362	37		

\$7,500 00 \$7,500 00

Schools - Manual Training.

Appropriation		•				\$400	00
April 11, 1903.							
A. C. Cobb				\$17	10		
May 9.							
A. C. Cobb				34	20		
The Buttrick Lumber Co.				4	04		
June 13.							
A. C. Cobb		•		59	85		
Oct. 10.							
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins		•	• ,	19	53		
Philip E. Perry				31	56		
Nov. 14.							
Philip E. Perry				31	56		
Geo. J. Barker Lumber Co				16	22		
Chandler & Barber				15	91		
Dec. 12.							
Philip E. Perry				34	18		
Chandler & Barber				36	34		
Jan. 9, 1904.							
John W. McLean				1	80		
Philip E. Perry	•			27	60		
Feb. 13.							
Chandler & Barber				38	64		
Feb. 29.							
Philip E. Perry		•		92	00		
Geo. J. Barker Lumber Co	э.	•		21	70		
Transferred from Text Bo	oks	•	•			82	23
			9	3482	23	\$482	23

Schools - Text Books.

Appropriation .				•		•	\$ 600	00
April 11, 1903.								
E. E. Babb & Co			• .		\$26	72		
May 9.						-		
Franklin Laboratory	Su	pply	Co.		1	60		
Ginn & Co		:			1	08		
D. C. Heath & Co					. 1	64		
Silver, Burdett & Co					• 2	00		
Kenney Bros. & Wol					17	25		
J. L. Hammett Co		•			8	75		
June 13.								
Houghton, Mifflin &	Co.			•	4	68		
Oliver Ditson Co			• .	•~	1	35		
Edw. E. Babb & Co.			•		24	66		
D. C. Heath & Co				٠	4	00		
C. M. Eaton		•			17	31		
American Book Co				•		92		
Ginn & Co				•	14	50		
July 11.								
Edw. E. Babb & Co.		•				81		
Franklin Laboratory	Sup	ply	Co.	•		80		
Oct. 10.								
American Book Co.		•		•	8	32		
D. C. Heath & Co			• .	•	17	22		
Ginn & Co				٠	31	00		
Edw. E. Babb & Co.			• ′		34	68		
Houghton, Mifflin &		*	•	•		59		
Silver, Burdett & Co.			•	•	9	77		
F. J. Barnard & Co.		•	•	•	46	50		
$A mounts\ carried$	for	war	d		\$291	15	\$600	00

Amounts brought forward	\$291	15	\$600	00
Nov. 14.	,		# 0 0 0	
Edw. E. Babb & Co.	14	70		
Ginn & Co		22		
	5			
Sibley & Co		33		
American Book Co	. 5	88		
D. C. Heath & Co	11			
Maynard, Merrill & Co	1	20		
Dec. 12.				
Franklin Laboratory Supply Co	1	67		
Bausch & Lomb Optical Co	28	25		
Edw. E. Babb & Co	1	50		
Silver, Burdett & Co	9	00		
Jan. 9, 1904.				
Benjamin H. Sanborn & Co	5	00		
Ginn & Co	10	00		
Feb. 13.				
Ginn & Co	20	46		
Transferred to School Incidentals .	19	45		
Transferred to Manual Training .	82	23		
Transferred to Conveyance of Pupils,	64	23		
	-			
	\$600	00	\$600	00
School Incidentals.				
Appropriation			\$3,500	00
			- /	
April 11, 1903. F. G. Cooper, Janitor	\$83	34		
		00		
Sulpho-Napthol Co., as per bill .	13			
Amounts carried forward .	\$98	34	\$3,500	00

Amounts brought forward .	\$98	34	\$3,500	.00
A. L. Hersum, as per bill	31	85		
G. A. Foote, coal	86	87		
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, as per bill,	24	63		
American Express Co., as per bill .	1	75		
P. J. McAuliffe, express charges and				
H. C	2	50		
P. J. McAuliffe, express charges .		50		
May 9.				
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
Arthur L. Hersum, as per bill	2	00		
James W. Moore, as per bill	26	00		
Willard P. Fuller, School Librarian,	50	00		
Julia F. Smith, as per bill	3	10		
A. M. Rochefort, as per bill	1	15		
Alice L. Hosmer, as per bill	3	10		
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, as per bill,	10	00		
Arthur L. Hersum, as per bill .	34	47		
Waltham Pub. Co., as per bill .	3	75		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
John C. Macdonald, as per bill .	14	75		
Neostyle Co., as per bill	2	00		
July 11.				
Geo. A. Foote, 163,395 lbs. coal .	531	04		
G. W. Cutting & Sons, as per bill .	24	40		
E. L. Barry, printing	11	85		
H. C. Kendall, filling 4 diplomas .	1			
Neostyle Co., as per bill	2	70		
C. M. Eaton, as per bill	11	91		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
J. W. Macdonald, address	10	00		

Amounts carried forward . \$1,239 65 \$3,500 00

Amounts brought forward . Aug. 8.	\$1,239	65	\$3,500	00
Weston Water Co., services, High				
School	20	00		
Weston Water Co., services, Gram-				
mar School	11	.07		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
American Express Co., as per bill .	3	30		
John C. Macdonald, contract on 3				
floors	300	00		
Sept. 12.				
E. L. Bemis, cleaning 2 vaults .	4	00		
J. B. Corrigan, labor and stock .	158	53		
John Totten & Sons, 3 cesspool lids,	9	00		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, as per bills,	135	96		i de la
American Express Co., as per bill .		60		
John C. Macdonald, repairing, etc	75	00		
Geo. A. Foote, as per bill	300	98		
Oct. 10.				
B. R. Parker, as per bill	13	23		
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, as per bills,	46	42		
Robert C. Cutting, taking school				
census	24	00		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
Nov. 14.				
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, as per bill,	12	35		
E. L. Bemis, cleaning well	2	00		
American Express Co., as per bill .	6	30		
Holden Patent Book Cover Co., as				
per bill	26	75		
Amounts carried forward .	\$2,639	13	\$3,500	00

Amounts brought forward .	\$2,639	13	\$3,500	00
J. B. Corrigan, painting, etc	4	60		
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., as per				
bill	28	32		
J. L. Hammett Co., as per bill .	9	47		
Derby Desk Co., as per bill	78	75		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
F. G. Cooper, hauling and cutting				
wood	3	00		
Dec. 12.				
S. C. Bennett, postage, etc	4	00		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
A. L. Hosmer, incidentals	3			
M. E. Crouse, repairing pail		5 0		
Benj. R. Parker, as per bill	4			
J. L. Hammett Co., as per bill .	14			
J. W. Moore, conveyance of teachers,		00		
S. B. Ross, labor, etc	4			
E. L. Barry, as per bill	6			
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, as per bills,				
T. E. Coburn, cleaning well	2			
J. E. Burke, labor, etc	37			
Arthur L. Hersum, as per bill.	217	51		
Jan. 9, 1904.				
Addison Getchell & Son, as per bill,	13			
Arthur L. Hersum, as per bill	216	96		
Carolyn E. Burrage, stationery and				
stamps		50		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor		34		
American Express Co., as per bill .				
Frost & Adams Co., as per bill .	8	75		

Amounts carried forward . \$3,593 65 \$3,500 00

Amounts brought forward .	\$3,593	65	\$3,500	00
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, as per bill,	6	25		
Feb. 13.				
G. W. Cutting & Sons, as per bill .	45	12		
Estate of B. F. Cutter, 3 cords wood,	21	00		
Robert B. Johnson, repairs on clock,	1	00		
Geo. A. Foote, 22,685 lbs. coal .	79	40		
J. B. Corrigan, painting boards for				
barges	2	00,		
F. G. Cooper, Janitor	83	33		
Frost & Adams Co., as per bill .	2	00		
Feb. 13.				
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins		40		
C. M. Eaton, as per bill		63		
Weston Water Co., High School .	. 20	00		
Weston Water Co., Grammar School,	9	04		
Transferred from Salaries of Teach-				
ers,			362	37
Transferred from Text Books			19	45
	00.001		00.001	
	\$3,881	82	\$3,881	82
Conveyance of Pup	ils.			
Appropriation			\$3,000	00
P. J. McAuliffe				
	\$1.775	75		
Jesse Caunt	\$1,775 523			
Jesse Caunt	523	25		
L. E. Roberts	523 480	25 00		
L. E. Roberts	523	25 00	64	23
L. E. Roberts	523 480	25 00	-	23 77
L. E. Roberts	523 480	25 00	-	

Highways, - General Repairs.

A. M. UPHAM, Road Commissioner.

Appropriation			\$6,500 00
April 11, 1903.			
A. M. Upham, 16 days, 2½ hours .	\$40	69	
men, 68 days	119	00	
horses, 65 days	105	62	
G. A. Foote, double team, 3 days .	15	00	
F. H. Upham, labor as per bill .	55	75	
May 9.			
A. M. Upham, 24 days	60	00	
men, 54 days	94	50	
horses, $109\frac{1}{2}$ days	177	93	
F. H. Upham, double team, 15 days,	75	00	
James E. Burke, rebuilding wall .	120	00	
James E. Burke, labor on highways,	99	56	
June 13.			
A. M. Upham, $17\frac{1}{2}$ days	43	75	
men, 63 days	110	25	
horses, 61 days	99	12	
G. H. Welcome, contract on Elm			
Street	30	00	
F. H. Upham, double team, 7 days,	35	00	
July 11.			
A. M. Upham, 18 days	45	00	
men, 40 days	70	00	
horses, 79 days	128	37	
J. E. Burke, 43 days	75	25	
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Amounts carried forward .	\$1,599	79	\$6,500 00

Amounts brought forward		\$1,599	79	\$6,500 00
Aug. 8.				
A. M. Upham, 2½ days	٠		25	
, 2 0	٠.		88	
horses, 15 days			37	
J. E. Burke, labor as per bill.	٠	48	55	
Sept. 12.				
A. M. Upham, 6½ days	•	16	25	
men, 16 days		28	00	
horses, 18 days	٠	29	25	
F. H. Upham, $4\frac{1}{2}$ days		7	88	
F. H. Upham, double team, 6 day	s,	30	00	
F. H. Upham, man and horse, 1 day	у,	3	37	
James E. Burke, 7 days	• •	12	25	
Oct. 10.				
A. M. Upham, 14½ days	٠,	36	25	
men, 18½ days		32	37	
men, $18\frac{1}{2}$ days horses, $26\frac{1}{2}$ days		42	93	
F. H. Upham, double team, 10½ day	s,	52	50	
James E. Burke, 42 days .		73	5 0	
Nov. 14.				
A. M. Upham, 6 days, 7 hours		16	96	
men, 8 days, 7 hours	٠	15	40	
horses, 14 days, 7 hours .		24	01	
James E. Burke, as per bill		83	57	
F. H. Upham, double team, 13 days	s,	65	00	
Dec. 12.				
A. M. Upham, 7 days	•	17	50	
men, 9 days		15	75	
horses, 25 days		40	50	
F. H. Upham, double team, 8 days		40		
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Amounts carried forward		\$2,384	08	\$6,500 00

Amounts brought forward Jan. 9, 1904.	\$2,384	08	\$6,500	00
James E. Burke, labor as per bill .	53	38		
B. F. Cutter, Road Commission	oner.			
April 11, 1903.				
B. F. Cutter, 7½ days	. 18	75		
men, $35\frac{1}{2}$ days	. 63	90		
horses, $27\frac{1}{2}$ days	. 44	68		
B. F. Cutter, 15½ days	ସ୍ଥଳ	75		
men, 132 days horses, 88 days	142	00		
J. F. Hagar, 7 days, double team	. 140	00		
L. E. Alexander, as per bill .				
June 13.	• ' 4	00		
B. F. Cutter, 19 days	. 47,	50		
men, 83½ days				
J. F. Hagar, 19 days, double team July 11.	. 90	00		
B. F. Cutter, 15\frac{1}{3} days	. 38	33		
men, 89 days	. 160	20		
horses, $65\frac{1}{2}$ days	. 106	43		
J. F. Hagar, 21½ days, double team,	, 107	50		
L. E. Alexander, as per bill .	. 2	10		
E. Jennings, 6 days, double team . Aug. 8.	. 30	00		
B. F. Cutter, 5½ days	. 13	75		
men, 20 days	. 36			
men, 20 days horses, $11\frac{1}{2}$ days	. 18			
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Amounts carried forward	\$3,922	85	\$6,500	00

Amounts brought fe	orwar	$\cdot d$		\$3,922	85	\$6,500	00
Sept. 12.							
B. F. Cutter, 18 days				45	00		
men, 93½ days .				168	30		
horses, 82½ days .	.•			134	06		
J. F. Hagar, 12½ days,	doubl	e tea	am,	62	50		
L. E. Alexander, as per	bill			1	85		
Nov. 14.							
B. F. Cutter, 2½ days				6	25		
men, 5 days				9	00		
horses, 7 days .				11	37		
C. A. Warren, 6½ days				14	63		
THOMAS E. COBURN	T Ros	ad C	'omr	niggion	יינ		
	1, 1000	iu C	/O1111	111221011() L •		
April 11, 1903.							
T. E. Coburn, 3 ¹ / ₄ days	•	•	•	8			
men, $16\frac{1}{4}$ days .	•				44		
horses, $25\frac{1}{2}$ days .	•	•		41	44		
May 9.		1					
T. E. Coburn, 12 days		•	•	30			
men, 42 days .	•			73			
horses, 57 days .	•	۰	•	92	63		
June 13.							
T. E. Coburn, 13½ days		•	•	33			
men, 103 days .		• 1	•	;180			
horses, 76 days .		•	•	123	50		
July 11	•						
T. E. Coburn, 123 days			۹.		88		
men, 67 days .							
horses, 65 days .				105	63		
Amounts carried for	rwar	d	•	\$5,242	21	\$6,500	00

Amounts brought forward . Oct. 10.	\$5,242	21	\$6,500	00				
T. E. Coburn, 8 days	20	00						
men, 56 days	100	80						
horses, $26\frac{1}{2}$ days	43	00						
Nov. 14.		,						
T. E. Coburn, 10 days	25	00						
men, 53 days	92	75						
horses, 44 days	. 71	5 0						
Dec. 12.								
T. E. Coburn, 7 days	17	5 0						
men, 40 days								
horses, 36 days	58	5 0						
Highways, — Incidentals.								
A April 11, 1903.								
G. W. Hirtle, as per bill	3	45						
The Buttrick Lumber Co., as per bill,	, 16	73						
J. Breck & Sons Corp'n., as per bill,	9	75						
May 9.								
Quick Mch. Co., 4 stone forks.								
Geo. A. Foote, 10 feet pipe	3							
· ·	4	55						
B. F. Cutter, 2 lanterns	1.	40						
June 13.								
1 0/11/	23							
Henry H. Hunt, labor and material,								
Benj. R. Parker, tools	. 1							
M. E. Crouse, as per bill	2	44						
Amounts carried forward .	\$5,824	31	\$6,500	00				

Amounts brought forward		\$5,824	31	\$6,500	00
July 11.					
M. E. Crouse, as per bill		2	90		
H. L. Cooper, labor and stock	٠	158	52		
Oct. 10.					
Wm. H. Foote, sharpening tools		5	80		
G. A. Foote, pipe		1	08		
J. Cushing & Co., stone boat. Nov. 14.	٠	6	50		
M. E. Crouse, as per bill.		4	00		
B. R. Parker, as per bill		3	5 3		
Good Roads Mch. Co., as per bill		8	50		
Dec. 12.					
S. B. Ross, labor		23	37		
G. W. Brodrick, tools Jan. 9, 1904.	•	2	10		
The Buttrick Lumber Co., as per bi	11,	23	32		
Benj. R. Parker, as per bill . Feb. 13.	•	2	10		
G. W. Cutting & Sons, as per bill		18	61		
Transferred to Gravel		254	82		
Transferred to Snow Bills .		160	54		
		\$6,500	00	\$6,500	00
Highways, - Side	wa	ılks.			
Appropriation	•			\$1,500	00
May 9, 1903.					
C. F. Hayes		\$ 430	60		
Amounts carried forward		\$430	60	\$1,500	00

Amounts brought forward . \$430 60	\$1,500 00
Sept. 12.	
B. F. Cutter, 5 days 12 50	1
men, $34\frac{1}{2}$ days 62 10	1
horses, $25\frac{1}{2}$ days 41 43	
J. F. Hagar, double team, 5 days . 25 00	
A. M. Upham, 15 days, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours . 37 91	
men, 26 days 45 50	
horses, $44\frac{1}{2}$ days	
F. H. Upham, double team, 9 days. 45 00	
J. E. Burke, 32 days	
C. F. Hayes	
Oct. 10.	
F. H. Upham, double team, 3 days. 15 00	
Nov. 14.	
C. F. Hayes, as per bill 159 80	
Dec. 12.	
A. M. Upham, 2 days 3 50	
horses, 4 days 6 48	
Balance unexpended transferred to	
Contingent Fund 195 28	
\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00
Wichman Count	
Highways, — Gravel.	
Appropriation	\$ 50 0 00
April 11, 1903.	
Waltham Trap Rock Co., $48\frac{19}{20}$ tons	
stone	
Waltham Trap Rock Co., $64\frac{157}{200}$ tons	
stone	
M. L. Upham, 169 loads gravel . 25 35	
Amounts carried forward . \$136 70	\$500 00

Amounts brought forward .	\$1 36	70	\$500	00
May 9.				
Waltham Trap Rock Co., stone .	216	11		
June 13.				
Waltham Trap Rock Co., stone .	8	81	,	
M. L. Upham, 131 loads gravel .	19	65		
S. B. Hagar, 80 loads gravel	20	00		
July 11.				
W. S. Wilson, 134 loads gravel .	26	80		
S. B. Hagar, 199 loads gravel	49	75		
Aug. 8.				
Waltham Trap Rock Co., 3111 tons				
stone	27	66		
Sept. 12.				
M. L. Upham, 50 loads gravel .	7	50		
Waltham Trap Rock Co., box dyna-				
mite	13	50		
Waltham Trap Rock Co., 100 caps.	' 1			
Waltham Trap Rock Co., $35\frac{19}{40}$ tons				
stone	30	15		
Oct. 10.				
Waltham Trap Rock Co., 38½ tons				
stone	32	73		
Waltham Trap Rock Co., $73\frac{1}{10}$ tons	02	• 0		
stone	62	14		
Nov. 14,	02	LT		
	15	25		
S. B. Hagar, 61 loads gravel	13	23		
Waltham Trap Rock Co., 9 9 tons	0	0.9		
stone	8	03		
Dec. 12.	0	0.0		
John Doyle, 30 loads gravel	6	00		
Amounts carried forward .	\$681	78	\$500	00

Amounts brought forward .	\$681	78	\$500	00
Waltham Trap Rock Co., 23 tons stone	9	33		
M. L. Upham, 214 loads gravel .	32			
Waltham Trap Rock Co., $45\frac{17}{40}$ tons	02	10		
stone	38	61		
Transferred from Highways	90	O.A.	254	82
Ziminion in				
	\$754	82	\$754	82
Highways, Snow Bi	lls.			
Jan. 9, 1904.				
Appropriation			\$500	00
Estate of B. F. Cutter, as per bill .	\$36	30		
A. M. Upham, 4½ days	11	25		
men, 13 days	23	63		
horses, $14\frac{1}{2}$ days	23	57		
Feb. 13.				
Estate of B. F. Cutter,				
men, 53 hours	10	60		
horses, 183 hours	32			
C. B. Cutter, 45 hours	12	6 0		
H. L. Brown, 13 loads sand	3	25		
T. E. Coburn, as per bill	88			
A. M. Upham, 10 days, 5½ hours .	26			
men, 23 days, 6 hours	41			
horses, 31 days, 7 hours	51			
The Buttrick Lumber Co., as per bill, Feb. 29.	3	70		
D. J. Eldridge, as per bill	6	33		
Geo. E. Smith, as per bill	6	61		
Amounts carried forward .	\$379	08	\$500	00

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Amounts brought forwar	rd		\$379	08	\$500°	00
T. E. Coburn, as per bill	•,		68	63		
F. H. Upham, as per bill			28	77		
Estate of B. F. Cutter, as per	bill		96	66		
Thomas Irving			38	86		
A. M. Upham		,	146	36		
Transferred from Highways					160	54
Transferred from Contingent		nd,			97	82
			\$758	36	\$758	36
Support of	f the	Po	or.			
Appropriation					\$1,800	00
Almshouse, excess of exper					,	
over receipts			\$480	28		
Outside relief			888			
Balance unexpended transfe						
O 1: 1 70 7			431	19		
			\$1,800	00	\$1,800	00
Street	Ligh	nts.		r		
Appropriation					\$4,525	00
April 11, 1903.					# ··)	
Weston Elec. Lt. Co			\$1,078	12		
Aug. 8.						
Weston Elec. Lt. Co			1,078	12		
Nov. 14.			_, - ,			
Weston Elec. Lt. Co			1,125	00		
Feb. 13.			_,			
Weston Elec. Lt. Co.			1,125	00		
Balance unexpended transfe						
			. 118	76		
		-				
			\$4,525	00	\$4,525	00

Waltham Hospital Free Bed.

Appropriation			\$250	00
Sept. 12, 1903.				
Waltham Hospital	250	00		
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Salaries of Town Officers	s.			
Appropriation			\$2,700	00
Henry J. White, Collector and				
Treasurer	650	00		
Francis Blake, Selectman	50	00		
Nathan S. Fiske, Selectman	50	00		
Alfred L. Cutting, Selectman	200	00		
Henry L. Brown, Assessor	250	00		
Nathan S. Fiske, Assessor	100	00		
David W. Lane, Assessor	40	00		
Alice E. Jones, Clerk of Assessors.	60	00		
Carolyn E. Burrage, School Com-				
mittee	250	00		
Robert G. Johnson, School Com-				
mittee	75	00		
Samuel C. Bennett, School Com-				
mittee	100	00		
George W. Cutting, Town Clerk and				
	190	00		
	30	00		
George R. Stedman, Registrar of				
Voters	30	00		
Frederick T. Hyde, M. D., Board of				
Health	25	00		
Amounts carried forward . \$2,	100	00	\$2,700	00

Amounts brought forward . Geo. N. Abercrombie, Board of		00	\$2,700	00
Health		00		
E. O. Clark, Board of Health	25			
H. A. Wheeler, Overseer of the Poor,				
Howard L. Cooper, Overseer of the				
Poor		00		
Edward P. Ripley, Overseer of the				
Poor		00		
C. A. Freeman, Sealer of Weights				
and Measures	50	00		
M. French, Auditor	200	00		
Balance unexpended transferred to	•			
Contingent Fund	140	00		
	\$2,700	00	\$2,700	00
Burial-grounds				
Burial-grounds Appropriation	Ša		\$ 1,0 0 0	00
Appropriation	•		\$1,000	00
Appropriation	•		\$1,000	00
Appropriation	. \$28	35	\$1,000	00
Appropriation	. \$28		\$1,0 0 0	00
Appropriation	\$28 58	35	\$1,000	00
Appropriation	\$28 58	35 30	\$1,000	00
Appropriation	\$28 58 90	35 30 55	\$1,0 0 0	00
Appropriation May 9, 1903. F. Hews, labor as per bill F. G. Cooper, labor as per bill June 13. F. G. Cooper, labor as per bill H. Seaverns, plants Frank Hews, labor as per bill .	\$28 58 90 13	35 30 55 00	\$1,000	00
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Amounts brought forward .	\$311	99	\$1,000	00
F. Hews, as per bill	29			
A. M. Upham, double team, 2 days,	10	00		
G. W. Cutting & Sons, as per bill.		75		
Aug. 8.				
M. B. Sherman, as per bill	13	15		
Weston Water Co	46	00		
Weston Water Co., labor and				
material	9	85		
F. G. Cooper, labor as per bill .	31	60		
Frank Hews, labor as per bill		15		
Sept. 12.				
Frank Hews, labor as per bill	30	25		
F. G. Cooper, labor as per bill .	73	65		
M. B. Sherman, labor as per bill .	12	55		
Oct. 10.				
Frank Hews, labor as per bill.	27	65		
F. G. Cooper, labor as per bill	31			
Geo. A. Foote, 1½ bbls. cement .	4	13		
Nov. 14.				
M. B. Sherman, labor as per bill .	16	50		
H. L. Brown, services as trustee .	5	00		
H. L. Brown, man and horse, 1 day,	3	00		
H. L. Brown, team, drawing stone,				
5 days	25	00		
F. G. Cooper, as per bill	65	25		
Waltham Trap Rock Co., 1255 tons				
stone	107	63		
Weston Water Co., pipe	1			
Frank Hews, labor as per bill .	21	70		
E. L. Bemis, labor as per bill	7			
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Amounts carried forward .	\$925	25	\$1,000	00

	\$925	25	\$1,000	00
Dec. 12.	4.0	0.0		
Frank Hews, labor as per bill	7	9:0		
F. G. Cooper, labor as per bill .	26	50		
G. W. Cutting & Son, mdse. as		4.0		
per bill		48		
M. Sherman, labor as per bill. Feb. 13, 1904.	17	50		
Weston Water Co	12	00		
F. G. Cooper, as per bill.	27	55		
Received from Burial-grounds Per-				
petual Care Fund ,			46	50
Balance unexpended transferred to				
Contingent Fund	6	32		
	\$1,046	50	\$1,046	50
Fire Department				
	•		\$1,500	00
Appropriation			\$1,500	00
Appropriation		00	\$1,500	00
Appropriation	\$17		\$1,500	00
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Appropriation	\$17 . 3 4 1 . 9 8	60 75 06 69 50 48 50 20	ŕ	00

Amounts brought forward .	\$57	30	\$1,500 00
Henry K. Barnes, as per bill	55	68	
F. C. Mulock, as per bill	1	20	
J. S. Bamford, as per bill	1	20	
Benj. R. Parker, labor to April 1,			
1903	40	00	
June 13.			
A. M. Cheney, labor as per bill .	91	00	
A. M. Cheney, as per bill	11	10	
J. M. Smith, repairs on hose wagon,	2	80	
H. Seaverns, 5 bouquets	5	00	
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., as per bill.		30	
Pettingell, Andrews Co., guard			
irons		35	
Henry S. Lombard, oil suits, etc	10	00	
Henry K. Barnes, as per bill	4	45	
John Robbins Mfg. Co., as per bill,	3	00	
W. E. Decrow, as per bill	26	70	
Benj. R. Parker, as per bill	7	45	
John S. Bamford, steward Hose			
No. 2	20	40	
July 11.			
Edgar M. Peck, drying hose	6	50	
G. H. D. Lamson, as per bill	3	80	
Badger Fire Extinguisher Co., as per			
bill	1	08	
Edes Mfg. Co., zinc and mercury .	18	00	
N. S. Fiske, as per bill	1	30	
W. E. Decrow, as per bill	5	60	
Henry K. Barnes, as per bill	11	87	
Pettingell, Andrews Co., as per bill,	8	90	
Amounts and 7 Comme 7	- BOO 4		@1 ×00 00
Amounts carried forward .	\$394	98	\$1,500 00

Amounts brought forward .	\$394	98	\$1,5 00	00
Aug. 8.				
Edw. S. Coburn, patrol	3	00		
Charles Rand, patrol	3	00		
Weston Water Co., pipe		.96		
G. W. Cutting & Sons, as per bill.	3	41		
T. O. Metcalf & Co., printing.	5	00	•	
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., as per bill.	4	99		
M. B. Sherman, labor, 4 hours	1	00		
John S. Bamford, steward Hose				
No. 2	20	40		,
Henry K. Barnes, as per bill	5	34		
P. J. McAuliffe, as per bill	159	00		
Cash refunded, Pro. 41			20	40
Sept. 12.				
B. H. Dickson, Jr., as per bill.	27	00		
A. M. Cheney, as per bill	8	33		
A. M. Cheney, as per bill	91	25		
Henry K. Barnes, as per bill	16	25		
Pettingell, Andrews Co., as per bill,	20	63		
F. C. Mulock, as per bill	7	00		
W. E. Decrow, as per bill	1	10		
David Acker, 9 hours' work	2	70		
R. W. Coburn, as per bill		90		
A. C. Coburn, as per bill	2	10		
A. L. Vittum, as per bill	1	65		*
H. W. Coburn, care of hose, etc	15	30		
E. S. Coburn, care of Hook and				
Ladder	15	00		
B. R. Parker, work on Fire Dept	50	00		
Pay roll, Hose Co. No. 1	100	80		
Amounts carried forward .	\$961	09	\$1,520	40

Amounts brought forward .	\$961	09	\$1,520	40
Pay roll, Hose Co. No. 2	29	60		
Pay roll, Hook and Ladder No. 1 .	77	40		
Pay roll, Hook and Ladder No. 2 .	115	20		
Ralph F. Jones, care of striker .	3	00		
M. V. Foote, repairs	3	00		
Pettingell, Andrews Co., 590 lbs.				
vitriol	36	88		
T. E. Coburn, as per bill	71	50		
B. R. Parker, as per bill	3	34		
Oct. 10.				
H. J. White, Treasurer	9	00		
Nov. 14.				
Henry K. Barnes, as per bill	51	06		
Pettingell, Andrews Co., as per bill,	4	00		
C. W. H. Moulton & Co., as per bill,	10	85	,	
W. E. Decrow, repairs on relays .	3	50		
B. R. Parker, as per bill	2	83		
Dec. 12.				
A. M. Cheney, as per bill	91	25		
A. M. Cheney, as per bill	3	50		
Benj. R. Parker, as per bill	3	75		
Jan. 9, 1904.				
Pettingell, Andrews Co., as per bill,	6	09		
M. E. Crouse, as per bill	2	35		
Benj. R. Parker, as per bill	2	42		
Feb. 13.				
N. E. Tel. & Teleg. Co., as per bill.	9	68		
Ralph F. Jones, care of striker .	3	00		
Balance unexpended transferred to				
Contingent Fund	16	11		

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Interest on Town Debt	Interes	ton	Town	Debt
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Appropriation			\$2,200	00
April 11, 1903.				
Six months' interest on seven town				
notes	\$455	00		
May 9.				
Interest on School-house loan	220	00		
Public Library loan, three months'				
and ten days' interest	55	56		
Merriam Fund for Silent Poor, three				
months' and ten days' interest .	7	00		
July 11.				
Loring, Tolman & Tupper	164	93		
Oct. 10.				
Commonwealth of Massachusetts .	454	64		
Nov. 14.				
Commonwealth of Massachusetts,				
six months' interest on \$8,000 .	160	00		
Balance unexpended transferred to				
Contingent Fund	682	87		
	Q 9 900	00	\$2,200	00
	\$4,200	00	\$2,200	00
Public Library Incide	entals.			
Appropriation			\$2,000	00
April 11, 1903.				~
American Express Co., as per bill .	\$2	70		
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes	1	00		
M. French, Janitor	30	00		
M. M. Pennock, Assistant Librarian,	39	00		
Geo. A. Foote, coal	48	61		
,				
Amounts carried forward .	\$121	31	\$2,000	00

Amounts brought forward	\$121	31	\$2,000	00
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes	1	00		
Geo. A. Foote, 4,690 lbs. coal.	15	83		
M. French, Janitor	30	00		
Weston Electric Light Co., to April 1,	67	86		
M. M. Pennock, Acting Librarian .	37	50		
June 13.				
F. G. Cooper, labor as per bill .	4	40		
F. G. Cooper, 2 bags lawn dressing.	5	50		
American Express Co., as per bill.	1	90		
M. M. Pennock, Librarian	37	50		
M. French, Janitor	30	00		
Repairs on lawn mower	1	75		
James M. Sullivan, rebinding books,	22	10		
E. L. Bemis, moving plants	1	00		
July 11.				
M. M. Pennock, Librarian	37	50		
Charlotte S. Sibley, Assistant	7	50		
M. French, Janitor	30	00		
Aug. 8.				
Charlotte S. Sibley, Assistant	29	88		
M. French, Janitor	30	00		
Weston Water Co., to Jan. 1	8	85		
American Express Co., as per bill.	1	75		
Weston Electric Light Co	40	70		
G. W. Cutting & Sons	6	31		
Sept. 12.				
J. M. Sullivan, rebinding books .	20	75		
G. A. Foote, 5,435 lbs. coal	19	02		
G. A. Foote, 2 ft. wood	2	00		
Amounts carried forward .	\$611	91	\$2,000	00

Amounts brought forward		\$611	91	\$2,000	00
Charlotte S. Sibley, Assistant.		16		*-,	
M. M. Pennock, Librarian .		19			
M. French, Janitor		30			
Oct. 10.					
M. French, Janitor		35	00		
M. M. Pennock, Librarian .		37	50		
Geo. A. Foote, 39,355 lbs. coal		137	74		
Nov. 14.					
M. French, Janitor		35	00		
Cash paid substitute for two wee	eks,	16	20		
M. M. Pennock, Librarian .		40	50		
M. E. Dunn, Assistant		8	00		
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes.		1	00		
American Express Co., as per bi	11 .	5	75		
Weston Electric Light Co., to Oc	t. 1,	41	91	•	
C. T. Sherman, repairs on clock	•	1	00		
Dec. 12.					
M. M. Pennock, Librarian .		36	00		
M. French, Janitor		35	00		
Jan. 9, 1904.					
M. M. Pennock, Librarian .		39	00		
M. French, Janitor		35	00		
Feb. 13.					
M. M. Pennock, Librarian .		39	00		
M. French, Janitor	•	35	00		
M. French, cleaning books, 92 ho	urs,	18	40		
Weston Electric Light Co	•	64	03		
Weston Water Co., repairs	on				
damper		1	50		
Weston Water Co., water to Jul	ly 1,	6	15		
Amounts carried forward		\$1,346	34	\$2,000	00

Amounts brought forward .	\$1,346	34	\$2,000	00
G. W. Cutting & Son, as per bill .		06		
G. W. Cutting & Son, Boston				
Evening Transcript, 1 year.	9	00		
Benj. R. Parker, as per bill	2	66		
F. G. Cooper, manure, labor, etc	10	00		
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes	4	00		
American Express Co., as per bill . Feb. 29.	2	80		
Maud M. Pennock, Librarian	36	00		
Mabel E. Dunn, Assistant	3	00		
M. French, Janitor	35	00		
E. L. Bemis, removing ashes	1	00		
S. B. Ross, labor	2	60		
Geo. A. Foote, coal and wood.	56	11		
M. M. Pennock, stamps, etc	3	08		
Balance unexpended transferred to				
Contingent Fund	486	35		
	\$2,000	00	\$2,000	00
Hydrant Service.				
Appropriation			\$775	0.0
Aug. 8, 1903.				
Weston Water Co	700	00		
Balance unexpended transferred to				
Contingent Fund	75	00		
	\$775	00	\$775	00
Dally, the province				
Public Library Building App		10n.		
Balance unexpended, March 1, 1903			\$513	00

Discount and Abate	em	ents.		,	
Appropriation Feb. 29, 1903.	•			\$2,500	00
Discount and abatements .		\$2,490	44		
Balance unexpended transferred t					
Contingent Fund		9	56		
		Day 1100		00.400	
		\$2,500	00	\$2,500	00
Payment of Town	D	ebt.	ı		
Appropriation			1, 1	\$11,422	00
April 10, 1903.					
H. J. White, Library Treasurer		\$4,000	00		
H. J. White, Treas. Merriam Fund	l,	421	25		
May 1,					
Town note, School-house loan. Oct. 1.	•	3,000	00		
Town Library loan		4,000	00		
Balance transferred to Contingen					
Fund	.4		75		
					
	\$	11,422	00	\$11,422	00
Public Libra	ry.				
Appropriation, Dog Tax . April 11, 1903.	*			\$ 370	95
Public Library, Dog Tax refunded		\$370	95		
State Aid.					
TT 1 1 T 011		\$48	00		
Harriet F. Stimpson Hosea F. Travis			00		
Ellen D. Guilford	•	48			
Nancy A. Brown	•	48			
Otis S. Houghton	•		00		
Ous s. Houghton	•				
		\$240	00		

Military Aid.				
Appropriation			\$100	00
John Finn	\$60	00		
Balance unexpended transferred to				
Contingent Fund	40	00		
	\$100	00	\$100	00
School Street.				
Balance unexpended Mar. 1, 1903, April 11, 1903.			\$255	42
C. F. Hayes	\$100	00'		
C. F. Hayes	155	42		
	\$255	42	\$255	42
Fire Apparatus – New	Hose.			
Appropriation			\$500	00
June 13, 1903.				
·	\$250	00		
Combination Ladder Co., 200 feet				
hose and express	100	30		
Henry K. Barnes, 300 feet hose .	150	00		
Transferred from Contingent Fund,				30
	\$500	30	\$500	30
Ash Street.				
Balance unexpended Mar. 1, 1903,			\$62	87
Appropriation			1,500	00
Amount carried forward .			\$1,562	87

Amount brought forward				\$1,562	87
June 13, 1903.					
James E. Burke, 36 rods 9 feet wall	l,	\$100	53		
A. M. Upham, 5 days		12	50		
men, 16 days		28	00		
horses, 16 days		26	00		
F. H. Upham, double team, 6 days	3,	30	00		
July 11.					
F. H. Upham, labor as per bill		. 63	38		
Aug. 8.					
James E. Burke, contract on wall		59	12		
Nov. 14.					
James E. Burke, labor as per bill		131	25		
A. M. Upham, 15 days, 7 hours		39	46		
men, 18 days, 7 hours.		31	50		
horses, 40 days		65	00		
F. H. Upham, labor as per bill		42	5 0		
Dec. 12.					
A. M. Upham, 7 days		17	5 0		
men, 10 days		17	50		
horses, 26 days		42	12		
F. H. Upham, double team, 9½ days	3,	47	5 0		
Jan. 9, 1904.					
M. L. Upham, 178 loads gravel		26	70		
A. M. Upham, 10½ days		26	25		7.8
men, 15 days		26	25		
horses, 34 days		55	25		
James E. Burke, 84 days, 1 hour		147	20		
F. H. Upham, double team, 12½ days			50		
Balance unexpended		464	86		

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Fire Alarm Box, Cor. Central Avenue	and St	ımn	er Stre	et.
Appropriation			\$60	00
June 13, 1903.				
W. E. Decrow, 1 fire alarm box .	\$50	00		
Balance unexpended transferred to				
Contingent Fund	10	00		
	\$60	00	\$60	00
Glen Road.				
Appropriation			\$1,500	00.
June 13, 1903.				
H. F. Travis, land taken	\$50	00		
Mary H. Eager, land taken		00		
B. F. Cutter, 7 days' work	17	50		
men, 29½ days' work	- 53	10		
horses, 21 days' work	34	12		
J. F. Hagar, double team, 7 days .	35	00		
James E. Burke, 88½ rods at \$4.00				
per rod	354	00		
James E. Burke, drilling and blast-				
ing 801 inches	64	08		
Oct. 10.				
Isaac Lovewell, land taken	12	00		
E. D. Lovewell, land taken	18	00		
B. F. Cutter, 6 days' work	16	89		
men, 9½ days' work	17	10		
horses, 10½ days' work	17	06		
J. Hagar, double team, 5 days' work,	25	00		
J. E. Burke, drilling and blasting				
908 inches	72	64		
Amounts carried forward .	\$811	49	\$1,500	00

Amounts brought forward J. E. Burke, building 80 rods wall, Nov. 14.	\$811 300		\$1,500	00
Charles A. Dean, land taken Feb. 13, 1904.	16	00		
George O. Wyman, land taken . Feb. 29.	23	00		
Estate of B. F. Cutter, cash advanced				
J. E. Burke	275	00		
J. E. Burke, as per bill C. H. Jones, stone and laying $15\frac{54}{100}$	178	76		
rods wall	65	43		
Transferred from Contingent Fund,			169	68
	\$1,669	68	\$1,669	68
Park Commissioners for East	Newton	Str	eet.	
Appropriation	r e		\$100	00
Board of Health	١.			
FOR IMPROVING THE BROOK RUNN AVENUE TO CENTRAL A			Linwo	OD
Appropriation			\$250	00
Oct. 10, 1903.				
	\$43	47		
J. E. Burke, as per bill				
Balance unexpended				
	\$250	00	\$ 250	00

Survey o	f Town	ı .			
Appropriation				\$2,000	00
Sept. 12, 1903.					
Transferred from Town Incide	entals,			250	00
John N. McClintock, set of Ass	sessors'				
plans	•	\$2,250	00		
		\$2,250	00	\$2,550	00
Relocation and Widen	ing of	North A	ven	ue.	
Dec. 12, 1903.					
Messrs. Warner, Warner &	Stack-				
pole, legal services and expe		\$816	95		
Jan. 9, 1904.					
Sturgis H. Thorndike, C. E., se	ervices				
and incidental expenses		350	00		
Received from Newton Stree	t Rail-				
way Co	• ' •			\$1,166	95
		\$1,166	95	\$1,166	95
Continge	nt Fun	d.			
Transferred from					
Bills Prior				\$50	
Town Incidentals .				264	
Support of Poor				431	
Sidewalks				195	
Street Lights				118	
Salaries of Town Officers				140	00
Amount carried forward				\$1,200	19

Amount brought forward			,		\$1,200	19
Interest on Town Debt	•	•			682	
Burial-grounds						32
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TT . 1						00
Public Library Incidentals		·			486	
Discount and Abatements						56
Payment of Town Debt						75
Military Aid		4			40	00
Fire Alarm Box, cor. Centra	al As	re.				
and Summer St		•			10	00
Transferred to						
Conveyance of Pupils .	,		\$5	77		
Snow Bills			97	82		
Fire Apparatus — New Hos	е			30		
Glen Road	•		169	68		
Balance unexpended .			2,253	58		
					PO YO	
			DZ. 5%	15	\$2.527	15

DR. Auditor's Account with Treasurer and Collector.

Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1903	\$13,942	27
Balance in Public Library Building appropriation .	513	
Weighing fees		10
Weighing fees	265	
Interest on Burial-grounds Perpetual Care Fund .		12
Sales of printed Town Records		50
J. M. Smith, Janitor Town-house	3	50
C. A. Freeman, Sealer of Weights and Measures .		35
City of Cambridge		00
School Committee, books lost by pupils		86
Repairing windows, School-house No. 4	Ŷ.	70
Sale of windows	7	00
Sale of windows		40
Tuition of pupils		00
Tuition of pupils		
room in Town-house	56	25
Loring, Tolman & Tupper, temporary loan		
Second District Court, Eastern Middlesex	82	
H. J. White, Burial-grounds Perpetual Care Fund.	100	
I. W. Hastings, Executor, Burial-grounds Perpetual		
Care Fund	200	00
Care Fund		
of North Avenue	1,166	95
of North Avenue	569	
County of Middlesex, Dog Tax refunded	439	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, balance Corpora-		
tion Tax, 1902	2,434	95
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, balance Bank		
Tax, 1902	133	40
Commonwealth of Massachusett, Corporation Tax,	21,929	53
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Nat. Bank Tax,		73
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Aid	256	00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Military Aid .	30	00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Burial of State		
Paupers	25	00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan		
Loan Fund	219	48
Interest on deposits, Waltham Nat. Bank	233	53
H. J. White, Collector, taxes 1901	386	00
H. J. White, Collector, taxes 1901 H. J. White, Collector, taxes 1902 H. J. White, Collector, taxes 1903	1582	09
H. J. White, Collector, taxes 1903	45,831	80
Interest on taxes	89	36
	\$103,701	
Uncollected taxes	1,994	44

Auditor's Account with Bills Prior	th T	reasur	er a	nd Coll	ect	or.	CR.
Bills Prior				\$449	05		
Town Incidentals				2.985	99		
Schools, - Salaries of teachers,				7,137	63		
- Manual training .	•			482	23		
- Text-books				434	09		
- Conveyance of pupils				3,070	00		
- Incidentals				3,881	82		
Support of Poor				1,368	81		
Highways, — General repairs .				6,084	64		
- Sidewalks	°•		٠.	1,304	73		
— Gravel			• 1	754	82		
- Snow bills				758	36		
Street Lights				4,406	24		
Waltham Hospital, free bed .				250	00		
Salaries of Town Officers	`*	. " , .		2,560	00		
Interest on Town debt				1,517	13		
Burial-grounds	•			1,040	18		
Fire Department			•	1,504	29		
Hydrant Service				700	00		
Library Incidentals	•		•	1,513	65		
Discount and abatements	•		•	2,490	44		
Payment on Town debt	•		•	11,421	25		
Public Library, Dog Tax	•		•	370	95		
State Aid	•		•	240	()()		
Military Aid	•		•	60	00		
Fire apparatus, New Hose .	•		•	500	30		
Ash Street	•		•	1,098	01		
School Street				100	00		
Clar Box, cor. Central Ave.	ana S	ummer	St.,	1 000	00		
Road of Health Improving Break	•	•	•	1,669	08		
Survey of town	•		•	102	00		
Delegation and widening North Are	*		•	2,250	05		` `
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	State	Tor	•	1,100	99		
Motropolitan Park Sinking Fund	state	lax.	•	600	00		
Interest on Parks	•	•	•	1 999	71		
Interest on Roulevards	•	•	•	1,222	00		
Cost of maintaining Parks	•	•	•.	673	59	44	
Cost of maintaining Roulevards	•	•	•	190	84		
Cost of maintaining Nantasket			•	76	60		
Renairs on State highways for 1903			. i	157	60		
County Middlesex, tax for 1903	•			5.567	16		
First Nat. Bank. Boston, temporar	v loar	1.	ij	10.000	00		
Deposit to Burial-grounds Perpetua	l Care	e Fund	·	300	00		
Deposit to Burial-grounds Fund				265	40		
J. B. Case, abatement of taxes for 1	1902			20	01		
Cash in Treasury, General Fund				15,870	01		
Cash in Treasury, Library Building	appr	opriatio	n.	513	36		
Uncollected taxes				1,994	44		
				-	8	\$105,695	45

Debt of Town

High School Building Loan		\$8,000	00
Library Building Loan .	•	 24,000	00
			\$32,000 00

Assets of Town.

Cash in Treasury			• .		\$16,383	37	
Military Aid .	•	,			30	00	
State Aid .					240	00	
Uncollected Taxes					1,994	44	
						\$18,647	81
		Re	epec	etfully,		4	

M. FRENCH, Auditor.

REPORT

OF

TOWN TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

DR. REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

MARCH 1, 1904.

Balance in Treasury, General Fund, March 1, 1903, \$13,942 27 Balance in Treasury, Library Building appropriation,	
March 1, 1903	63
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Weighing fees, Weston	10
Sales of Burial Lots, Linwood Cemetery	
Interest on Burial-grounds Perpetual Care Fund	
Sales of printed Town Records	50
	50
Charles A. Freeman, Sealer of Weights and Measures 5 City of Cambridge, under Provisions of Chap. 352, Acts of	35
1893, for 1903	00
School Committee, books lost by pupils 4	86
Replacing glass broken by pupils, School-house No. 4.	70
Sale of old windows, A. M. Cheney	00
Tuition of pupils	-
"Henry A Unham Lodge A O II W "rent of room in Town-	
house	
Loring, Tolman and Tupper, temporary loan 10,000	
Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex 82 Henry J. White, Burial-grounds Perpetual Care Fund 100	
I. W. Hastings, Executor, Burial-grounds Perpetual Care Fund, 200	
Newton Street Railway Co., in connection with widening of	
North Avenue, etc	
Town of Arlington on account of small-pox case	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, balance of Corporation Tax	TU
of 1902	95
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, balance of Bank Tax of 1902, 133	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation Tax 21,929 Commonwealth of Massachusetts, National Bank Tax 2,983	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, National Bank Tax 2,983 Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Aid 256	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Military Aid 30	
State Treasurer, burial of State paupers	
State Treasurer, Metropolitan Water Loan Fund 219	
Interest on deposits, Waltham National Bank	
Henry J. White, Collector, taxes of 1902 1,582	
Henry J. White, Collector, taxes of 1903 45,831	85
Interest on taxes	36

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REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER AND COLLECTOR. CR.

MARCH 1, 1904.

Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Tax Commonwealth of Massachusetts, "School-house Loan" . Commonwealth of Massachusetts, "Library Loan" Metropolitan Park Assessments:—	\$4,250 3,000 4,000	00
For Sinking Fund		
" " Maintenance of Boulevard 190 84 " " Maintenance of Nantasket 76 60		
State Tax for Repairs on State Highway	3,033 157 5,567	60
First National Bank of Boston, temporary loan Deposit to the credit of "Burial-grounds Perpetual Care	10,000	
Fund":— Newton Savings Bank	300	00
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WESTON, Feb. 29, 1904.

TAXES UNCOLLECTED.

Taxes of 1902					\$378 80		
Taxes of 1903	•	•		` .	1,615 64		
						\$1,994 4	4

HENRY J. WHITE,

Collector.

WESTON, Feb. 29, 1904.

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OF THE

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DR.

Balance in Treasury, I	March 1	l, 19	903.			\$428	82
From Town Treasure	r in p	ayn	ent	of To	wn		
note						421	68
Interest from Fund.						127	71
Interest on deposits.				•		- 5	14
						\$983	35
	Cı	₹.					
Paid Trustees' orders		۰		÷		\$170	00
Paid deposit to the	credit	of	the	Fund	:		
Newton Savings Bar	ık .					113	00
West Newton Savin	gs Ban	k	٠	•		308	68
Balance in Treasury	•			•		391	67
						\$983	35
						#300	-

HENRY J. WHITE,

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FEB. 29, 1904.

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Dr.

Balance in Treasury, March 1, 1903

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notè		4,000 00
Interest from Library Fund		381 08
From Town Treasurer, Dog Tax		370 95
Interest on deposits	٠	12 60
From Francis Blake		51 00
From Library fines		60 00
		\$4,973 53
Cr.		
Paid Kidder Peabody & Co., four American Tel	θ-	
phone & Telegraph Co. bonds .	,	\$3,954 89
Charles E. Lauriat Co		796 67
Library Art Club		5 00
E. B. Hall & Co		36 00
Charles Evans	٠	15 00
Deposit in Cambridgeport Savings Bank		45 11
Balance in Treasury		120 86
		\$4,973.53

HENRY J. WHITE,

Treasurer.

\$97 90

FEB. 29, 1904.

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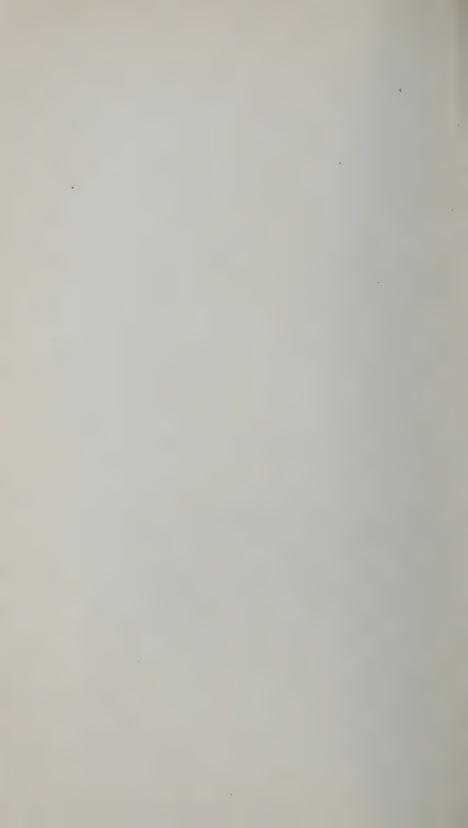
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TOWN OF WESTON RECORDS, 1903.



TOWN RECORDS, 1903.

At a stated meeting of the Board of Selectmen held Jan. 10, 1903, Charles A. Freeman was appointed Sealer of Weights and Measures, to succeed Daniel Smith, deceased.

ALFRED L. CUTTING, Selectman and Secretary of the Board.

Received and recorded Jan. 10, 1903.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

To any Constable of the Town of Weston, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in the Town-hall, in said town, on Monday the twenty-third day of March current, at one of the clock in the afternoon, for the following purposes, to wit:—

First. To choose a Moderator.

Second. To choose the usual Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Third. To hear and act upon the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Fourth. To accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Selectmen and posted according to law.

Fifth. To vote on a separate ballot "Yes" or "No," in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

Sixth. To repeal Article 24 of the Town By-laws.

Seventh. To authorize the Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the Town, to bring suit against the Town of Arlington, Massachusetts, for the recovery of such sums of money (and interest thereon) as may have been expended by the Town of Weston, for the care of one Charles Cunningham, a small-pox patient having a legal settlement in said town of Arlington.

Eighth. To accept and allow as town ways all such roads or parts of roads upon "Pigeon Hill" as have been laid out by the Road Commissioners in accordance with their plans therefor filed in the office of the Town Clerk prior to March 16, 1903.

Ninth. To determine the wish of the Town regarding House Bill No. 801, entitled, "An Act to provide for the construction of a Bridge over the Charles River between the Town of Weston and the City of Newton."

Tenth. To raise and appropriate, by borrowing or otherwise, such sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles, or as may be required to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year; and especially to act upon all the appropriations asked for or proposed by the Selectmen or by any Town Officers or Committees in their reports.

And you are to serve this warrant by posting three attested copies thereof according to the vote of the Town; namely, at the Town-house, at the Kendal Green post-office,

and on the town bulletin-board at the junction of South Avenue and Newton and East Newton Streets, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not; and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands this seventh day of March in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Three.

FRANCIS BLAKE,
NATHAN S. FISKE,
ALFRED L. CUTTING,
Selectmen of the Town of Weston.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town according to order.

NATHAN S. FISKE, Constable of Weston.

A true copy of the warrant and officer's return.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

MARCH 23, 1903. Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, a meeting of said inhabitants, qualified as aforesaid, was held at the time and place appointed.

The meeting was called to order and the Warrant read by the Town Clerk.

ART. 1ST. Charles H. Fiske, Esq., was chosen Moderator.

ART. 2D. Voted: — To add the name of Claus Peterson to the list of Field Drivers.

Voted: — That the meeting now proceed to choose the following town officers for the ensuing year or years; viz., one Selectman for three years; one Overseer of the Poor

for three years; one Assessor for three years; one member of the School Committee for three years; one Trustee of the Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor for three years; a Treasurer and Collector; an Auditor; two Trustees of the Public Library for one and three years, respectively; a Library Treasurer; one Trustee of Burial Grounds for three years; one Road Commissioner for three years; one Park Commissioner for three years; eight Measurers of Wood and Bark; four Surveyors of Lumber; three Fence Viewers; six Field Drivers; a Pound Keeper; six Constables; one member of the Board of Health for three years; and a Tree Warden.

That these officers may all be voted for upon a single ballot, and that the polls be kept open for the reception of votes until three hours and thirty minutes of the clock in the afternoon.

The Moderator appointed Samuel C. Bennett, Brenton H. Dickson, Jr., Edward Fiske and William B. Robbins as Tellers, all of whom were forthwith sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties.

The polls were then declared open for the choice of town officers.

Voted:—That the meeting proceed to transact other business while the polls are open for the reception of votes under Article Second; provided, however, that the Moderator may, from time to time, interrupt such proceedings whenever he deems it desirable to afford persons present an opportunity to poll their votes.

Voted:—That the polls be kept open for the choice of town officers until 3^h 30^m P. M.

Voted:—That the reports of town officers and committees which have been printed and distributed through the town, be corrected as follows:—viz.

Page 102, lines 10 and 11 from bottom, for "Metropolitan Water Company" read "the Commonwealth."

Page 104, line 15 from bottom, for "Sidney Tylar" read "Sidney E. Tyler."

Page 126, line 10 from bottom, for "Tuller" read "Fuller."

Page 199, line 9 from bottom, for "Ellis John D. Heirs" read "Ellis, John S. Heirs."

Page 206, line 11 for "Riehardson" read "Richardson." Page 210, line 10, for "Walter Zoller" read "Waldo Zoller."

Voted: — To take up Article Third.

ART. 3. Voted: — To accept and place on file the following Reports, subject to the corrections made thereto by this meeting, viz.: — Report of the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Road Commissioners, School Committee, Park Commissioners, Trustees of the Public Library, Librarian of the Public Library, Tree Warden, Fire Engineers, Police, Overseers of the Poor, Board of Health, Inspector of Cattle and Provisions, Trustees of Burial Grounds, Assessors, Auditor, Town Treasurer and Collector, Treasurer of the Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor, and Treasurer of the Public Library.

Voted: — That Article Tenth be taken up in connection with Article Third and that the reports of town officers and committees be now considered separately, in the order in which they are printed, to the end that the Town may take such further action thereon as may be deemed best.

Mr. Samuel C. Bennett offered the following resolution, viz.:—Resolved, That the Town recognizes the great amount of care and study given by its present Board of Selectmen to the Street Railway question in this Town, and the Town highly appreciates the fidelity with which

its interests have been guarded and the skill with which they have been secured.

And the Town believes that the grant of location as set out in the Selectmen's Report for the year 1902-3 should be substantially followed as a model in all subsequent grants of Street Railway Locations in Weston.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Town.

Voted: — To adopt the foregoing resolutions.

Voted: — That the salary of the Auditor be fixed at Two Hundred Dollars (\$200).

1^h 55^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Salaries of Town Officers,

Twenty-seven Hundred Dollars . . \$2700

1^h 55^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Town Incidentals, Thirty-five Hundred Dollars . . . \$3500

1^h 56^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Discounts and Abatements,

Twenty-five Hundred Dollars . . \$2500

1^h 56^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for interest on Town Debt,

Twenty-two Hundred Dollars . . \$2200

1^h 57^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Payment of Town Debt,

Eleven Thousand Four Hundred and

Twenty-two Dollars . . . \$11422

and that it be taken from any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

1^h 58^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Support of the Poor,

Eighteen Hundred Dollars . . . \$1800

1^h 59^m P. M. Voted: — That the sum of One Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars (\$125) is hereby appropriated for the observance of Memorial Day, said sum to be taken from town incidentals; and that three persons be appointed by the Moderator to serve as Memorial Day Committee, with authority to expend said sum for said observance.

Edwin A. Newbury, Oliver L. Sherburne and Edward P. Ripley were accordingly appointed by the Moderator.

- 2^h 01^m P. M. Voted: That the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) is hereby appropriated to be paid by the Town Treasurer to the Waltham Hospital for the maintenance during the ensuing year of a free bed, under the direction of the Selectmen, to be called the "Weston Free Bed."
- 2^h 02^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Highways—General Repairs,

Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars . \$6500

Voted:—That it is the sense of this Meeting that the Road Commissioners be requested to lay out a sidewalk on School Street from the house of Herman A. Train to Wellesley Street.

2^h 11^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Highways — Sidewalks,

Fifteen Hundred Dollars . . . \$1500

2^h 12^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Highways — Gravel, Five Hundred Dollars . . . \$500

2^h 13^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Highways — Snow Bills,

Five Hundred Dollars \$500

2^h 17^m P. M. Voted: — That the sum of Four Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars (\$4525) be appropriated for Street Lights; and that the Selectmen be instructed to locate and establish nine street lights on Sudbury Road, and six additional street lights on Wellesley Street.

2^h 17^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Schools — Salaries of Teachers.

Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars . \$7500

2^h 19^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Schools — Incidentals,

Thirty-five Hundred Dollars . . . \$3500

2^h 20^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Schools — Text Books,

Six Hundred Dollars \$600

Voted to lay Articles Three and Ten on the table.

Voted to take up Article Five.

ART. 5. Voted: — That, for the reception of votes on the license question, the polls shall now be opened, and be kept open for one hour.

The ballot-box was then opened in public meeting and examined by the town officers and shown to be empty. The register of the box was set at zero (0) and the box locked. The key of the lower part was given to the Moderator, and the key of the upper part to Nathan S. Fiske, Constable.

At 2^h 30^m P. M. the polls were declared open for the vote on the License Question.

Voted to take Articles Three and Ten from the table.

Voted: — That it is the sense of this meeting that the Contractor for District No. 5 be requested to furnish a larger barge.

2^h 48^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Schools — Conveyance of Pupils,

Three Thousand Dollars . . . \$3000

2ª 52 P. M. Voted to appropriate for Schools — Manual
Training,
Four Hundred Dollars \$400
2 ^h 52 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Burial-grounds,
One Thousand Dollars \$1000
2 ^h 52 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Fire Department,
Fifteen Hundred Dollars , \$1500
2 ^h 52 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Fire Apparatus,
Five Hundred Dollars \$500
Voted: — That the sum of Sixty Dollars (\$60) be appro-
priated for the establishment of a Fire Alarm Box at the
corner of Central Avenue and Summer Street.
3 ^h 02 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Hydrant Service,
Seven Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars \$775
3 ^h 4 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Bills Prior,
Five Hundred Dollars \$500
3 ^h 6 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Public Library Inci-
dentals,
Two Thousand Dollars \$2000
3 ^h 6 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Ash Street,
Fifteen Hundred Dollars \$1500
3 ^h 6 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Glen Road,
Fifteen Hundred Dollars \$1500
3 ^h 7 ^m P. M. Voted to appropriate for Park Commissioners
for East Newton Street,
One Hundred Dollars \$100
3 ^h 10 ^m P. M. Voted: — That the sum of Two Hundred and
Fifty Dollars (\$250) or such part of that amount as
may be necessary, be, and hereby is, appropriated
from any money now in the treasury not otherwise
appropriated, to be used by the Board of Health for
placing the channel of the brook running from Lin-
wood Ave to Central Ave in a satisfactory con-

dition for carrying off the water usually standing upon the meadows contiguous thereto.

3^h 11^m P. M. Voted: — That the Selectmen and Assessors be authorized to have a survey of the town made for the purpose of preparing maps for taxation, and that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000) be appropriated for the cost of so doing.

The following motion, offered by Mr. Horace S. Sears,

was passed by a unanimous rising vote: —

Voted:— That in the death of Oliver R. Robbins, the Town has lost a useful citizen, a wise counsellor, a faithful public servant, a good friend and neighbor. Besides filling many minor offices and important committeeships, he has served the Town faithfully and well as Selectman and member of the School Committee and for thirty-one years as a Library Trustee, the last twenty-four years being Chairman of the Board.

The transfer of the Library to its new building and its subsequent growth and development and increased usefulness were largely due to his business sagacity, literary judgment, forceful methods and unsparing use of his time and energy.

Of high integrity of purpose, of uncompromising adherence to the truth as it was given him to see it, an earnest debater and doughty champion of the cause to which he had once given his allegiance—stalwart, intense, holding himself, as well as others, to a strict accountability to what was true and right—he was a fine example of that type of New England character that has made these towns renowned for their civic virtue and pure democracy.

The following Resolutions, also offered by Mr. Sears, were adopted by a unanimous rising vote:—

Resolved, that the citizens of the town hereby express

their deep appreciation of the services of their late librarian, Miss Elizabeth S. White, and of the worth and beauty of her character. Her unfailing courtesy and kindness, her remarkably efficient administration of the affairs of the library, her conscientiousness and her fine intellectual endowments and literary judgment—all endeared her to the whole community whose interests she so faithfully served, and whose needs she so closely studied and adequately met.

At $3^h \ 30^m \ P$. M. the polls were declared closed on the license question.

The ballot-box register was examined and found to have recorded sixty-six votes.

Upon opening the ballot-box sixty-seven ballots were taken therefrom. One "No" ballot was not cancelled showing that two ballots were deposited in the box at one time.

The number of names checked on the voting list as having voted on the license question was sixty-six.

The result of the ballot was declared as follows: —

Total number of ballots cast	•		66
Yes, four votes		•	4
No. sixty-two votes			62

At $3^{\rm h}$ $35^{\rm m}$ P. M. The polls were declared closed for the choice of town officers.

ART. 4. The list of jurors which had been revised by Selectmen, posted according to law, and published in the annual report, was further revised by striking from the list the names of Dennis J. Eldridge and Arthur Woodward. The name of Oliver R. Robbins, deceased, was also stricken from the list, and the names of Joseph R. Roberts and George H. D. Lamson were added thereto.

Said list was then submitted as follows: —

NAME.				Occupation.
George N. Abercrombie	٠	•	•	Member of Board of Health
Amri Barker				Farmer.
Emery L. Bemis .				Farmer.
Henry L. Brown .				Farmer.
Arthur M. Cheney .		•		Mechanic.
Albert E. Coburn .				Farmer.
Alfred H. Garfield .				Farmer.
Edward C. Green .	f.e.			Farmer.
George E. Hobbs .				Machinist.
Thomas Irving .				Farmer.
George H. D. Lamson				None.
Isaac O. Lovewell .				Farmer.
Roy Mathews				Real Estate.
Edwin A. Newbury				Carpenter.
Charles A. Poutas .				Farmer.
Thomas C. Richardson				Farmer.
Joseph R. Roberts .				Farmer.
Herbert Seaverns .		•		Florist and Milkman.
Herbert A. Sherman				Farmer.
William F. Sherburne				Farmer.
George S. Sibley .				Farmer.
Augustus M. Upham		• 1		Road Commissioner.
Samuel H. Warren				Farmer.
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Voted: To accept the foregoing list.

ART. 6. Voted: — That Article 24 of the Town By-Laws be and it hereby is repealed.

ART. 7. Voted: — That the Selectmen are hereby authorized, in the name and behalf of the Town, to bring suit against the Town of Arlington, Massachusetts, for the recovery of such sums of money (and interest thereon) as may have been expended by the Town of Weston for the care of one Charles Cunningham, a small-pox patient having a legal settlement in said Town of Arlington.

ART. 8. Voted:—To accept and allow as town ways all such roads or parts of roads upon "Pigeon Hill" as have been laid out by the Road Commissioners in accordance with their plans therefor filed in the office of the Town Clerk prior to March 16, 1903.

The following Preamble and Resolution was offered by Mr. Samuel C. Bennett:—

Whereas, The Town of Weston in 1889 rebuilt its half of the South Avenue bridge at an expense of \$5328.97, which portion of the bridge is now in good repair and wide enough to accommodate all the ordinary teaming and driving which passes over South Avenue, and

Whereas, at the time of this reconstruction the City of Newton declined to co-operate with this Town in rebuilding the entire bridge, although invited to do so; now therefore.

Resolved, That if a new bridge is desired by the City of Newton, or by the public who use the Charles River Park Reservation, then in the judgment of this Town it is equitable that the cost of such new bridge should not be imposed upon this Town but upon those for whose particular advantage, or at whose request such bridge is built.

Voted: — That the Selectmen be and hereby are requested to present a copy of this resolution to the proper legislative committee and such other bodies or persons as seem to them expedient.

ART. 10. Voted: — That the Town Treasurer is hereby anthorized to borrow, in anticipation of taxes, such sums of money as may be needed from time to time, giving therefor the note or notes of the Town, said note or notes to be countersigned by at least a majority of the Selectmen, to bear the current market rate of interest, and to be paid from the taxes to be raised this year.

Voted:—That the money appropriated at this annual town-meeting not otherwise provided for be assessed, after deducting the estimated receipts for the ensuing year, upon the polls and estates taxable in this town, and be collected as the town charges are usually assessed and collected.

The result of the ballot for town officers was declared by the Moderator as follows, viz.:—

SELECTMAN.

Nathan S. Fiske, three years.

Sworn by the Moderator.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

George N. Abercrombie, three years. (Declined.)

ASSESSOR.

David W. Lane, three years.

Sworn by the Moderator.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Carolyn E. Burrage, three years.

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

Henry J. White.

Sworn by the Moderator.

AUDITOR.

Merrill French.

Sworn by the Moderator.

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Horace S. Sears, three years.

Arthur T. Johnson, one year.

LIBRARY TREASURER.

Henry J. White.

Sworn by the Moderator.

Trustee of the Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor.

George W. Cutting, three years. Sworn by the Moderator.

ROAD COMMISSIONER.

Benjamin F. Cutter, three years.

Sworn by the Moderator.

PARK COMMISSIONER.

Henry L. Brown, three years.

TRUSTEE OF BURIAL GROUNDS.

Franklin G. Cooper, three years.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Everett O. Clark, three years.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Dist. No. 1. George W. Cutting. · Sworn by the Moderator.

66 66 1. Ralph Kenney.

66 66 2. Edward C. Green.

6.6 3. Louis E. Roberts.

66 4. George W. Brodrick. 66 66 4. Daniel Garfield.

66 " 5. Charles B. Cutter.

6. Oliver L. Sherburne. 66

Sworn by the Moderator.

Sworn by the Town Clerk. Sworn by the Town Clerk Mar.

26, 1903. Sworn by the Moderator.

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SURVEYORS OF LUMBER.

Arthur L. Coburn. Ralph Kenney. Benjamin F. Cutter. Daniel Garfield

Sworn by the Moderator. Sworn by the Town Clerk Mar. 26, 1903.

FENCE VIEWERS.

George H. D. Lamson. Walter J. Upham. Thomas E. Coburn.

Sworn by the Moderator. 66 66 66 Sworn by the Town Clerk Mar. 26, 1903.

FIELD DRIVERS.

Claus Peterson. Sworn by the Town Clerk Mar. 28, 1903.

Arthur M. Cheney. Sworn by the Town Clerk

Mar. 26, 1903.

William B. Robbins.
Alexander S. Jenney.
Roland Rand.

Charles B. Cutter. Sworn by the Moderator.

POUND KEEPER.

Darius B. Vittum. Sworn by the Moderator.

CONSTABLES.

Nathan S. Fiske.

Silas Baxter.

Charles A. Freeman.

Darius B.Vittum.

Horace P. Heard.

Sworn by the Moderator.

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Town Clerk.

Moderator.

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Town Clerk.

" " Moderator.

TREE WARDEN.

Franklin G. Cooper.

Patrick J. McAuliffe.

Total number of names checked on the voting list as having voted for town officers was eighty.

5^h 50^m P. M. Voted that this meeting be now dissolved.

A true record.

Attest: Ceorge W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

March 23, 1903. Under the provisions of the Revised Laws, the Board of Selectmen have made the following appointments:—

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Charles A. Freeman.

Sworn by the Town Clerk, Apr. 16, 1903.

PUBLIC WEIGHERS.

George W. Cutting.

Sworn by Charles H. Fiske, Esq., Justice of the Peace.

George W. Brodrick.

Sworn by Town Clerk.

WEIGHER OF COAL.

George A. Foote.

Sworn by the Town Clerk, May 16, 1903.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

(To serve with pay from the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.)

Darius B. Vittum, Chief.	Sworn	by	the	Town	Clerk
Alphonso H. Dunn.	66 -	66	6.6	66	66
George Faber.	,66	. 66	66.	6.6	6.6
Horace P. Heard.	, 46	6.6	6.6	66	4.6
Alfred F. Siblev.	5 . 66	4.6		1 66	6.6

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

(To serve without pay until the date of the next annual town-meeting.)

Albert H. Bailey.

H. L. Bates.

Sworn by Fred A. Tarbox, Justice of the Peace, May 25, 1903.

Sworn by the Town Clerk.

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Michael Butler.

Arthur M. Cheney.

Franklin G. Cooper. Alfred L. Cutting.

Richard W. Dennison.

Brenton H. Dickson, Jr.

John M. Farrell.

Augustus H. Fiske.

Edward R. Frude.

George W. Henderson.

Wm. T. Hill. H. M. Kingsbury. John Purcell.

Sworn by Fred A. Tarbox, Justice of the Peace, Apr. 30, 1903.

Charles H. Saddler. James M. Smith. Charles H. Tainter. Fred A. Tarbox.

Sworn by Henry L. Wittlesey, Justice of the Peace, Apr. 7, 1903.

Percy Warren.

Fire Engineers and Forest Fire Wards.

Benjamin R. Parker. Brenton H. Dickson, Jr.

REGISTRAR OF VOTERS.

Justin E. Gale, Democrat, for three years from May 1, 1903.

INSPECTOR OF CATTLE AND PROVISIONS.

Gilbert A. Blood.

Sworn by the Town Clerk, April 10, 1903.

BURIAL AGENT.

(Under the provisions of Chapter 164, Acts of 1897.)
Charles A. Freeman.

ALFRED L. CUTTING, Selectman and Secretary of the Board.

A true record.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Middlesex, ss.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Cambridge, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

The inhabitants of Weston in said County, by their petition to said Commissioners—among other matters—pray that River street in said town from the boundary line between Waltham and Weston to South Avenue may be relocated, as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case.

The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of June, A. D. 1902, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties, as by the notice on file and of record will more fully appear.

And at the September meeting of said Commissioners, said relocation was adjudged to be of common convenience and necessity, and said petition has been continued to this time.

And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, as follows: said Commissioners having given notice as the law directs, met at the Court House in said Cambridge, on the twentieth day of December, in the year nineteen hundred and two, when and where the parties appeared.

And the premises having been examined and all parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to relocate said River street as prayed for in said petition in accordance with Section 12 of Chapter 48 of the Revised Laws, and

the following description is a true description of said street as hereby relocated.

The easterly line beginning at a point on the line between Weston and Waltham, said point being North

32° 30′ West 36.5 feet from a stone bound in said easterly line, thence South 32° 30' West 280.05 feet to a stone bound, thence on a curve of 575.85 feet radius bearing to the left 144.06 feet to a stone bound, thence South 18°10' West 205.34 feet to a stone bound, thence on a curve of 1826.63 feet radius bearing to the left 148.25 feet to a stone bound, thence South 13° 31' West 550.45 feet to a stone bound, thence on a curve of 1576.39 feet radius bearing to the left 454.88 feet to a stone bound, thence South 3°01' East 711.25 feet to a stone bound, thence on a curve of 566.03 feet radius bearing to the right 410.64 feet to a stone bound, thence South 38° 33' West 891.55 feet to a stone bound, thence on a curve of 937.69 feet radius bearing to the left 146.47 feet to a stone bound, thence South 29° 36′ West 65.1 feet to a stone bound, thence on a curve of 56.59 feet radius, bearing to the left 119.50 feet to a stone bound, thence North 88° 36′ 30″ East 109.6 feet to a stone bound in the Northerly line of South Avenue.

The westerly line beginning at a point opposite to and 41.25 feet distant from the point of beginning of the above-described easterly line is thence parallel to said easterly line and 41.25 feet distant therefrom for a distance of 259.6 feet, thence on a curve of 19.89 feet radius bearing to the right 34.12 feet to a stone bound in the northerly line of Summer street. Then beginning again at a stone bound in the southerly line of Summer street, said bound being distant South 55° 14′ West 33.84 feet from the stone bound last described in the northerly line of said Summer street, thence from said stone bound on a curve tangent to the southerly line of Summer street and bearing southeasterly and to the right with a radius of 37.49 feet, 44.10 feet to a stone bound, thence South 18° 10′ West, 302.9 feet to a stone bound, thence parallel to

the easterly line and 41.25 feet distant therefrom to a stone bound distant North 38° 33′ East 15.18 feet from the intersection of said westerly line with the easterly line of Loring street, thence on a curve of 4.73 feet radius bearing to the right 12.0 feet to a stone bound, thence North 86° 6′ West, 40 feet to a stone bound on the westerly side of Loring street, thence South 3° 54′ West by said westerly line of Loring street 18.13 feet to a stone bound, thence on a curve of 214.52 feet radius, bearing to the right 96.35 feet to a stone bound, thence South 29° 36′ West 256.08 feet to a stone bound, thence South 47° 25′ West 95.2 feet to a stone bound in the northerly line of South Avenue.

The above courses are reckoned from the magnetic meridian and the description is intended to conform to a plan of said street dated 1903, on which plan the said described lines are shown in red. Said plan is signed by F. H. Kendall, County Engineer.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said town of Weston shall, on or before the first day of January, which will be in the year 1904, lay open, construct, and complete said highway, so that eighteen feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows:—

The roadway for the width aforesaid shall be properly crowned, drained, and graded, and the surface shall consist of gravel or other material which shall be hard, smooth, and free from inequalities. At the intersection of the easterly line of said River street with the northerly line of South Avenue, on and abutting land of Mrs.

Marion Preston, the roadway shall be built nearly parallel with the curve joining said lines with the top of the slope at the taking line, and the bank sloped, loamed, and seeded so as to improve the approach from South Avenue to said River street within the new location.

And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus relocated are allowed until the first day of May next, to remove therefrom any wood, timber, or other property. And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves or their agents on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of relocating said highway, have estimated the same as follows, to wit:—

Mrs. Marion Preston, five hundred dollars . . . \$500.00 O. A. Kingsbury, one hundred and twenty five dollars, 125.00

The above damage awarded said Kingsbury includes damage of taking his land with the wall on it, and includes the expense of the removal of the wall by him.

And the said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of three hundred dollars is a fair and just proportion of the expenses of said relocation to be paid by the County, and said sum shall be paid out of the County Treasury into the Town Treasury of Weston whenever the Selectmen of said town shall present a certificate certifying that all claims by reason of said relocation have been settled, and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said Town of Weston shall pay all damages, costs and expenses, if any, not included in the above award, that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of said relocation throughout the whole of said

highway, as hereby relocated; that the highway described in said return be, and the same is hereby, established as and for a public highway, and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such; that the said several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises, be paid to them respectively out of the town treasury, when they shall present to the Town Treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies, that the land over which said highway is relocated has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

In witness whereof, we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this twenty-fourth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

LEVI S. GOULD. SAM^L. O. UPHAM. FRANCIS BIGELOW.

A true copy of record.

Attest: John L. Ambrose, Ass't Clerk.

Received and recorded March 25, 1903, by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

March 30, 1903. I have this day appointed Percy Warren and Arthur M. Cheney as Deputy Tree Wardens under Acts of 1899, Chapter 330, for the year ending at the next annual town-meeting.

F. G. COOPER, Tree Warden.

Received and recorded March 30, 1903, by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk. APRIL 7, 1903. We, the undersigned, Board of Health of the Town of Weston, Massachusetts, do hereby appoint Mr. George W. Cutting, Clerk of said town, our agent to receive death certificates and to issue burial permits for the year ending May 1, 1904.

E. O. CLARK,
GEORGE N. ABERCROMBIE,
FREDERICK T. HYDE, M. D.,
Board of Health.

Received and recorded April 10, 1903, by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

APR. 11, 1903. At a joint session of the Board of Selectmen and the Overseers of the Poor, held this day, Mr. Edward P. Ripley was elected a member of the Board of Overseers of the Poor in the place of Mr. George N. Abercrombie, who declined to accept this office to which he was elected at the last annual meeting of the town.

ALFRED L. CUTTING, Selectman and Secretary of the Board.

Received and recorded April 13, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

OVERSEER OF THE POOR.

Edward P. Ripley.

Sworn by Town Clerk, April 11, 1903.

APRIL 11, 1903. The Selectmen have this day made the following appointments:—

FIRE ENGINEER AND FOREST FIRE WARD.

Nathan S. Fiske.

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

(To serve without pay.)

Frank C. Mulock.
William O. Randall.

Sworn by the Town Clerk.

ALFRED L. CUTTING, Selectman and Secretary of the Board.

Received and recorded April 13, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts.

You are hereby notified that you are duly authorized by vote of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Weston, Massachusetts, to place and maintain wires upon poles and fixtures, wherever located in said Town, of any other persons or corporations, under arrangements made with the owners for such attachments.

You are also authorized to allow the attachments to your poles of the wires and fixtures of any other persons or corporations. All attachments of wires made under this permit shall be at a height, and placed in a manner satisfactory to the Board of Selectmen.

[SIGNATURES OF SELECTMEN]

NATHAN S. FISKE. ALFRED L. CUTTING.

APRIL 11, 1903.

Received and recorded April 13, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Cambridge, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

The inhabitants of Weston in said County, by their petition to said Commissioners — among other matters — pray that the lines of Glen Road, Cliff Road, and Oak Street at the junction thereof may be relocated and altered, as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case.

The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Lowell, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of September, A. D. 1902, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties, as by the notice on file and of record will more fully appear.

And at the present meeting of said Commissioners, said relocation and alteration were adjudged to be of common convenience and necessity.

And thence said petition has been continued to this time. And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, as follows: said Commissioners having given notice as the law directs, met at the Court House in said Cambridge, on the twenty-eighth day of February, in the year nineteen hundred and three, when and where the parties appeared, and no person appeared to object.

And the premises having been examined, and all parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to alter the lines of said ways as prayed for in said petition, and the following description is a true description of said ways as hereby altered and established.

The northeasterly line of Glen road connects with the northwesterly line of Oak street beginning at a stone bound in said line of Glen road, said bound being distant South 56° 27′ East 508.83 feet from another stone bound in said line of Glen road which is at the beginning of a course bearing South 56° 27′ East 616.18 feet as laid out by said Commissioners in 1902, thence bearing to the left and southeasterly tangent to said line of Glen road with a curve of 45.23 feet radius, 45.67 feet to a drill hole in a boulder in the wall, thence North 65° 41′ 30″ East 57.5 feet to a stone bound, thence on a curve of 99.96 feet radius bearing to the left 49 feet to a stone bound in the said northwesterly line of Oak street.

The said northeasterly line of Glen road connects with the southeasterly line of Oak street, beginning at a stone bound at the terminus of a curve of 18.17 feet radius as heretofore established, thence North 7° 09′ East 86.88 feet to a drill hole in the wall, thence on a curve of 37.47 feet radius 19.54 feet to a stone bound in the said southeasterly line of Oak street.

The southwesterly line of Glen road connects with the northwesterly line of Cliff road with a curve of 47.7 feet radius, and the southwesterly line of Glen road connects with the southeasterly line of Cliff road with a curve of 52.41 feet radius. All the above lines are shown on a plan of the premises signed by F. H. Kendall, County Engineer, the said described lines being shown in red, and all the space included within the lines shown in red on

said plan is hereby taken as part of said ways. And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said Town of Weston shall, on or before the first day of January, which will be in the year 1904, lay open, construct and complete said ways so that eighteen feet in width thereof throughout the whole, exclusive of gutters on the sides, shall be safe and convenient for the passage of teams of every description with customary loads. The form and manner of construction shall be as follows:—

A roadway shall be constructed across the space taken for said ways so that Oak street and Cliff road may be connected in a direct line and the corners turned with roadways nearly parallel to the curves described.

All walls and fences shall be removed from within the location, and the whole done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of the Commissioners.

And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said ways are thus laid out, are allowed until the first day of July next, to remove therefrom any wood, timber, trees, or other property. And said Commissioners having heard the proprietors of said lands by themselves or their agents on the subject of damages by them sustained by reason of laying out said ways, have estimated the same as follows, to wit:—

George O. Wyman, Two Hundred Dollars . . \$200.

And said Commissioners further order and determine that the sum of One Hundred dollars is a fair and just proportion of the expenses of said alterations to be paid by the County, and said sum shall be paid out of the County Treasury into the Town Treasury of Weston whenever the Selectmen of said town shall present a certificate certifying that all claims by reason of said alterations have been settled and said street shall be completed to the acceptance of said Commissioners.

And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said Town of Weston shall pay all damages, costs and expenses, if any, not included in the above award, that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of said alterations throughout the whole of said ways as hereby widened, straightened, altered and established; that the ways described in said return be, and the same are hereby, established, as and for public ways, and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such; that the said several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises, be paid to them respectively out of the Town Treasury, when they shall present to the Town Treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies, that the land over which said ways are located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said ways.

In witness whereof, we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this seventh day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

LEVI S. GOULD. SAM^L. O. UPHAM. FRANCIS BIGELOW.

A true copy of record.

Attest: Theo. C. Hurd, Clerk.

Received and recorded May 13, 1903, by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk. May 9, 1903. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and Trustees of Burial Grounds held this day, Mr. Henry L. Brown was chosen a member of the latter Board (to serve until the next annual town-meeting), to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Francis B. Ripley.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,

Selectman, and Secretary of the Board.

Received and recorded May 18, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

WESTON, May 29, 1903.

Mr. G. W. CUTTING,

Clerk of the Town of Weston.

I hereby notify you that the following appointments were made at the last meeting of the Board of Health (May 6, 1903).

LICENSE TO SLAUGHTER.

Henry Zoller.

Kate Sheehan.

Amri Barker.

UNDERTAKERS.

Frank H. Upham.

Frank G. Cooper.

Collecting Swill.

Amri Barker.

Respectfully,

E. O. CLARK, Clerk of the Board.

Received and recorded May 30, 1903.

GEORGE W. CUTTING, Town Clerk.

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WESTON, MASSACHUSETTS, June 13, 1903.

Voted:—That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said Company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated. A plan of locations hereby granted is filed, dated June 8, 1903.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to: River St., near South Ave., one pole.

[SIGNATURES OF SELECTMEN]

FRANCIS BLAKE.
NATHAN S. FISKE.
ALFRED L. CUTTING.

Received and recorded June 13, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

August 10, 1903. The Board of Selectmen have this day appointed William Connon, of Weston (Auburndale

Post-office) a Special Police Officer to serve without pay until the date of the next annual town-meeting.

FRANCIS BLAKE, Chairman.

Received and recorded August 11, 1903, by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

WESTON, September 8, 1903.

Mr. George W. Cutting,

Clerk of the Town of Weston.

I hereby notify you that Mr. Grafton E. Kirwin, of Waltham, Mass., has been given a license as Undertaker for the Town of Weston.

Per order of the Board of Health,

E. O. CLARK, Secretary.

Received and recorded September 10, 1903.

GEORGE W. CUTTING, Town Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

To any Constable of the Town of Weston, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in the Town-hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the third day of November next, at twelve of the clock, noon, at which time the polls will be open, and may be closed at four o'clock P. M., to bring in to the subscribers their votes for the following Officers, each to be designated, and all to be voted for on one ballot, namely: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Auditor, Treasurer and Receiver General, Attorney General, Councillor for the

Third District, Senator for the First District of Middlesex, Representative in the General Court for the Seventeenth District of Middlesex, Register of Probate and Insolvency, One County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex, Register of Deeds, Southern District, County Treasurer for the County of Middlesex.

Also any other Officers required by law to be chosen in the month of November of the current year.

And you are to serve this warrant by posting three attested copies thereof according to the vote of the Town; namely, at the Town-house, at the Kendal Green post-office, and on the town bulletin-board at the junction of South Avenue and Newton and East Newton Streets, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not; and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of October, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Three.

FRANCIS BLAKE,
NATHAN S. FISKE,
ALFRED L. CUTTING,
Selectmen of the Town of Weston.

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town according to order.

NATHAN S. FISKE, Constable of Weston.

A true copy of the warrant and officer's return.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

Annual Election, November 3, 1903.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the Town of Weston qualified to vote in elections met in the Town-hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the third day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said month, and were called to order at twelve of the clock, noon, by Francis Blake, Clairman of the Board of Selectmen and Presiding Election Officer, who read the warrant calling said meeting, and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants.

In pursuance of and in conformity with the laws of this Commonwealth in relation to elections, the Town-hall had been fitted up as a polling place, a space railed off, and ten shelves or compartments provided for the use and convenience of the voters to examine and mark their ballots. Before the opening of the polls, the package of cards of instructions, specimen ballots, etc., furnished by the Commonwealth, had been opened, and the same posted in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Laws relating thereto.

Henry J. White and Edward Fiske, whom the Selectmen previously had appointed Ballot Clerks, were sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties.

The ballot-box to be used at elections was then opened publicly by the election officers, who ascertained, by personal examination, and publicly showed, that the same was empty. The register of the box was then set at zero (0), and the box immediately thereafter locked. The key of the lower part of the box was delivered to the Pre-

siding Election Officer, and the key of the upper part to Nathan S. Fiske, a constable in charge of the meeting.

A package, supplied by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, marked "First Set 500 Ballots, Town of Weston," was then delivered to the Presiding Election Officer by the Town Clerk, who took his receipt therefor. The Presiding Election Officer then publicly broke the seal of said package and delivered said ballots to the Ballot Clerks, who were provided with a list of the registered voters of the town and stationed at the entrance to the polling place.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of votes.

At twelve hours and five minutes of the clock in the afternoon, on motion of Herbert Seaverns, it was

Voted: — That the polls be closed at four hours and thirty-seven minutes of the clock in the afternoon.

Upon four occasions while the polls were open, the ballot-box was opened and ballots taken therefrom for counting, it being deemed advisable so to do in the unanimous judgment of the Selectmen and the Town Clerk. The times of thus opening the ballot-box and the number of ballots taken therefrom were as follows:—

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3	30	6.6	 				91	50	66
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At four hours and thirty-seven minutes of the clock in the afternoon, the polls were declared closed. The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Ballot Clerks in the distribution of ballots, was two hundred and ninety-nine.

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Selectmen in the reception of ballots, was two hundred and ninety-nine.

At the close of the polls the automatic register of the ballot-box read three hundred, but a memorandum kept by the election officer in charge of said box, showed that on one occasion the automatic register thereof had made a triple record for a single ballot deposited therein, and on one occasion it had failed to record a single ballot deposited therein; and said officer certified that the total number of ballots deposited in said box was two hundred and ninety-nine. Upon opening the ballot-box forty-nine ballots were taken therefrom, which, together with the two hundred and fifty ballots previously taken therefrom, made the total number of ballots cast two hundred and ninety-nine.

These ballots were sorted, counted, and recorded, and declaration thereof made in open town-meeting by the Town Clerk, and were for the following State and County Officers, viz.:—

GOVERNOR.

John L. Bates of Boston, one hundred and forty-one votes		141
Thomas F. Brennan of Salem, none		0
John C. Chase of Haverhill, three votes		3
Oliver W. Cobb of Easthampton, seven votes		7
William A. Gaston of Boston, one hundred and forty-th	ree	
votes		143
Blank, five votes		5

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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

John Quincy Adams of Amesbury, six votes Curtis Guild, Jr., of Boston, one hundred and seventy-th		6
votes		173
William F. Merrill of Malden, thirteen votes		13
Richard Olney, 2d, of Leicester, eighty-two votes		82
Moritz E. Ruther of Holyoke, none		0
Blank, twenty-five votes	•	25
Secretary.		
Olof Bokelund of Worcester, four votes		4
John F. Coyle of Lynn, one vote		1
Alfred L. Cutting of Weston, one hundred and ten votes		110
Ezekiel M. Ezekiel of Springfield, forty-five votes		45
William M. Olin of Boston, one hundred and eighteen vote	8 .	118
Blank, twenty-one votes		21
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TREASURER AND RECEIVER GENERAL.		
John A. Billings of Rockland, three votes Edward S. Bradford of Springfield, one hundred and eigh	 ntv-	3
six votes		186
Napoleon B. Johnson of Milford, eleven votes		. 11
Frederick A. Nagler of Springfield, one vote		1
Thomas C. Thacher of Yarmouth, seventy votes		70
Blank, twenty-eight votes	•	28
Auditor.		
John H. Hagan of Lynn, one vote		1
7 10 4011	•	2
Afred E. Steele of Northampton, fourteen votes	•	14
Francois X. Tetrault of Southbridge, sixty-four votes .	•	64
Henry E. Turner of Malden, one hundred and eighty-th	roo	04
votes	1166	183
		35
Blank, thirty-five votes		00

ATTORNEY-GENERAL. John A. Anderson of Gardner, two votes 2 William J. Carroll of Lowell, two votes. 2 Henry M. Dean of Hyde Park, twelve votes . 12 John J. Flaherty of Gloucester, sixty votes . 60 Herbert Parker of Lancaster, one hundred and ninety-one 191 , Blank, thirty-two votes. . . 32 COUNCILLOR — THIRD DISTRICT. Edwin R. Hoag of Chelsea, one hundred and seventy-five 175 John L. Mulholland of Somerville, four votes . . . 4 George A. Sanderson of Boston, seventy-one votes 71 49 SENATOR - FIRST MIDDLESEX DISTRICT. William F. Dana of Newton, one hundred and eighty-three 183 James R. Entwistle of Framingham, sixty-nine votes 69 George E. Franklin of Natick, six votes . . . 6 41 REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT - SEVENTEENTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT. Grant M. Palmer of Weston, one hundred and twenty votes 120 Harvey Wheeler of Concord, one hundred and forty-five votes 14534 COUNTY COMMISSIONER. George R. Duren of Carlisle, sixty-one votes 61

Charles W. Ussher of Cambridge, seven votes

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REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY — MIDDLESEX (Count	CY.
Emanuel Bernier of Medford, four votes		4
Samuel H. Folsom of Winchester, one hundred and eighty-	six	
votes		186
Frank J. Simonds of Lowell, sixty-one votes		61
Blank, forty-eight votes	•	48
REGISTER OF DEEDS — MIDDLESEX SOUTHERN DISTR	ICT.	
Edwin O. Childs of Newton, two hundred and three votes		203
Charles F. Drury of Natick, fourteen votes	•	14
Blank, eighty-two votes	•	82
County Treasurer — Middlesex County.		
Joseph O. Authier of Cambridge, fifty-three votes .		53
Charles G. F. Claus of Malden, six votes		
Joseph O. Hayden of Somerville, one hundred and eigh	ty-	
eight votes		188
Blank, fifty-two votes		

While the polls were open the ballot-box was in charge of Alfred L. Cutting, and the voting list used in connection therewith was in charge of Nathan S. Fiske and Francis Blake.

In the canvassing and counting of votes, the regular election officers were assisted by Howard L. Cooper, Charles H. Fiske, Jr., Justin E. Gale, William V. Hyde, Charles C. Kenney, Edward P. Ripley, Henry A. Wheeler, and Homer F. Whittemore, who previously had been appointed Tellers by the Selectmen, and sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties.

The business of the meeting being finished, the returns were filled up, signed by the Selectmen, countersigned by the Town Clerk, and sealed up in open town-meeting, and delivered to the Town Clerk to forward to their several places of destination.

All ballots cast at the election were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The tally sheets used in counting the votes cast at the election were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The voting lists used in connection with the distribution of ballots and the deposit thereof in the ballot-box were certified by the officers who had had them in charge, and were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

All unused ballots were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The four sealed and endorsed envelopes above mentioned, together with the ballot-box, the ballot-box keys and the seal, were forthwith delivered to the Town Clerk by the Presiding Election Officer, who in this and all other matters connected with the election, followed and caused to be followed the "Laws Relating to Elections," as prepared by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At six hours and twenty-five minutes of the clock in the evening, the meeting was declared dissolved by Francis Blake, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and Presiding Election Officer.

A true record.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

Vote of Middlesex District No. 17, for Representative in the General Court, as determined and declared at the Town Clerks' meeting held at Concord, November 13, 1903.

			Bed	dford.	Concord.	Lincoln.	Weston.	Total.
Grant M. Palmer	of We	ston		32	. 182	42	120	376
Harvey Wheeler o	f Con	cord		100	546	,72	145	863
Blank			• 1	21	48	. 13	34	116
							PROFFMAN	—
Total .				153	776	127	299	1355

A true record.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

Nov. 14, 1903. In accordance with the provisions of Section 361, Chapter 11, of the Revised Laws, the Board of Selectmen and Library Trustees, in joint session, have this day appointed Mr. Justin E. Gale a member of the Board of Library Trustees to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Henry G. Pearson.

ALFRED L. CUTTING, Selectman and Secretary of the Board.

Received and recorded Nov. 14, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Middlesex, ss.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex holden at Lowell, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

The inhabitants of the Town of Weston, in said county, by their petition to said Commissioners — among other matters — pray that North Avenue in said town may be relocated and widened to a general width of eighty-one feet, from the Waltham boundary line to the Lincoln boundary line as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed of record in the case.

The petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Cambridge, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of January, A. D. 1903, when and where said Commissioners caused notice to be given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where they would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties, as by the notice on file and of record will more fully appear.

And at an adjourned meeting, said relocation and widening were adjudged to be of common convenience and necessity, and thence said petition has been continued to this time.

And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises, as follows: Said Commissioners having given notice as the law directs, met at Hastings Hall, in said Weston, on the ninth day of July, in the year nineteen hundred and three, when and where the parties appeared, to wit, the petitioners by Francis Blake, Esq., Chairman of Selectmen of said Weston, and the respondents by various abutting land owners as to land damages.

And the premises having been examined, and all parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to lay out said North Avenue as prayed for in said petition, and the following description is a true description of said highway as hereby laid out and ordered.

The said highway is laid out to a general width of eighty one (81) feet, the lines being in accordance with the red lines on a plan of said street entitled, "Plan of North Avenue, Weston, as ordered by the County Commissioners, November 17, 1903, scale 40 feet to an inch," which plan is hereby made a part of this decree.

And said Commissioners further determine and order that the height of the center line or grade line of said highway is hereby established in accordance with a red line on a drawing showing the grade or profile of said highway entitled, "Profile of North Avenue, Weston, as established by the County Commissioners, November, 1903," which drawing is made a part of this decree.

Stone bounds shall be set at the beginning and ending of all curves at the side lines of said street to permanently mark the same.

As shown by the above-described plan, the portion of the old road northerly of the new location opposite the premises of Dorothy G. Vannevar, Arthur L. Hersum and Leslie Gilchrist is not discontinued by virtue of the change of location above set forth, but is included as part of the taking and location, and the area at this point included between the old southerly line of said highway and the northerly red line marking the general width of 81 feet is hereby taken as part of the highway. The portion of the old road northerly of the new location opposite the premises of Emma L. Horne, Thomas C. Richardson and George Faber Heirs is not discontinued, and the area at this point included between the old southerly line of said highway and the northerly red line marking the width of 81 feet is hereby taken as part of the highway.

The portion of the old road opposite the premises of Thomas Faber and T. F. Harrington between the old southerly line of said highway and the southerly red line marking the width of 81 feet is not discontinued, but is hereby included as part of the taking and location.

And the said Commissioners determine and order that the inhabitants of the said town of Weston shall, on or before the first day of November, which will be in the year

1904, lay open, construct and complete said highway in accordance with the specifications and conditions contained in the order of location granted by the Selectmen of the Town of Weston on petition of the Newton Street Railway Company, December 13, 1902, as amended April 11, 1903, and as approved by the Railroad Commissioners, April 14, 1903, so far as the same applies to the construction of said highway, and also in accordance with the Profile above described, and the cross sections shown on said profile, except that easterly of Church Street between Church Street and a point near the house of Mary E. Brown, said street shall be constructed with one roadway northerly of the reserved space for the street railway with crossings over said reserved space and a mode of construction and an arrangement of said northerly roadway as shown by a detailed plan entitled, "Plan showing Special Construction, North Ave., Weston, Easterly of Church Street, Scale 8 feet to an inch," which plan is hereby made a part of this decree.

All walls and fences serving to mark the boundary lines of the old highway shall be removed from within the location.

Catch basins of brick laid in cement mortar, with iron gratings of approved pattern with pipes leading therefrom to some water way or natural water course, shall be constructed wherever necessary for conducting away the water. Culverts shall be constructed of masonry equal to first-class rubble masonry, with split granite cover stones laid with close joints, or of pipe of approved size and quality, with masonry ends.

Guard rails shall be erected at all steep and dangerous places. The posts shall be chestnut, not less than six inches in diameter, six feet six inches in length, set three feet in the ground, with back filling thoroughly tamped. All bark shall be removed before setting, and all knots hewn down to face. The posts shall be set eight feet apart on centers, plumb, in good line. There shall be a top rail four inches by four inches in size, notched into the top of the posts of number one spruce planed. The side rail shall be two inch by six spruce, planed, notched into the side of the post, breaking joints with the top rail. All guard rail shall be painted two coats of best lead and linseed oil paint, of such color as the Selectmen direct.

The said roadways shall be properly crowned, drained and graded, the sub-structure underneath the surfacing material, for a depth of at least two feet, to consist of suitable gravelly or stony material free from loam or vegetable matter. All loam shall be removed for a depth of two feet under the surfacing material. The surface shall consist of good binding gravel or preferably crushed stone, properly rolled and compacted so as to present a hard, smooth surface conforming to the cross-section, the surface to be at least equivalent to the present travelled way in hardness and smoothness.

All banks or slopes shall be covered with loam to a depth of eight inches and seeded. The banks at the sides where excavations or embankments are necessary shall be sloped at a rate not to exceed one and one half horizontal to one vertical, or retaining walls of substantial rubble masonry built to sustain said banks.

The sidewalks shall be covered with fine gravel and left smooth. The whole shall be done in a workmanlike manner to the acceptance of the Commissioners.

And the proprietors or occupants of the land over which said highway is thus laid out, are allowed until the first day of January next to remove therefrom any wood, timber, trees or other property.

And said Commissioners estimate the damages sustained by the proprietors of said lands by reason of laying out said highway as follows, to wit:—

Charles E. Woodhull, ten dollars		\$10 00
George F. Harrington, one hundred dollars		100 00
Herbert Harrington, thirty dollars		30 00
T. F. Harrington, one hundred dollars		100 00
Thomas Faber, ten dollars		10 00
Herbert Sherman, one hundred and twenty-five dollars		125 00
S. Lothrop Thorndike, one hundred dollars		100 00
George E. Byram, two hundred dollars		200 00
Thomas C. Richardson, three hundred and fifty dollars		350 00
Alice H. Bray, seventy-five dollars		75 00
H. C. Richardson, fifteen dollars		15 00
William E. Dudley, one hundred and ninety dollars .		190 00
Daniel W. Williams, one hundred and forty dollars .		140 00
Methodist Society, seventy-five dollars		75 00
Nathan S. Fiske, five hundred dollars		500 00
Henry Wheeler, thirty dollars		30 00
Mary E. Russell, six hundred dollars		600 00
William A. Foote, twenty-two dollars		22 00
A. J. Winslow, fifteen dollars		15 00
John N. Guthrie, twenty dollars		20 00
Daniel Garfield, one hundred dollars		100 00
Mary Bennett, fifty dollars		50 00
Henry G. Russell, one hundred and seventy-five dollars		175 00
Henry A. Dwelle, fifteen dollars	٠	,15 00
Alfred H. Garfield, seventy-five dollars		75 00
Hiram Garfield, Heirs of, two hundred and fifty dollars		250 00
F. W. Hastings, six hundred dollars		600 00
Anna C. Hastings, one hundred and twenty-five dollars		125 00
Thomas E. Coburn, two hundred and fifty dollars .		250 00
Sarah Thurston, five hundred dollars		500 00
Mary A. Hagar, Heirs of, one thousand dollars .		1000 00
Leslie Gilchrist, ten dollars		10 00
Dorothy G. Vannevar, fifty dollars		50 00

Alice M. Brown, one hundred dollars	2 .	•	100 00
Mary E. Brown, eight hundred and fifty dollars			850 00
Sidney E. Tyler, Jr., Heirs of, fifty dollars .	١.		50 00
George H. Ellis, one hundred and fifty dollars.			150 00
George E. Trask, sixty dollars			60 00

And the said Commissioners further determine and order that the said Town of Weston shall pay all damages, costs and expenses, if any, not included in the above awards, that any party may by legal process obtain in consequence of said relocation and widening throughout the whole of said highway, as hereby widened, straightened, altered and established; that the highway described in said return be, and the same is hereby, established as and for a public highway, and that the same be recorded to the end that the same may hereafter be known as such; that the said several sums of money estimated as damages to the said persons by reason of the premises, be paid to them respectively out of the town treasury, when they shall present to the Town Treasurer a certificate signed by the Selectmen of the town in which the land lies, that the land over which said highway is located has been entered upon and possession taken for the purpose of constructing said highway.

In witness whereof, we, the said County Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands this 17th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and three.

LEVI S. GOULD, SAM^{L.} O. UPHAM, FRANCIS BIGELOW,

County Commissioners.

A true copy.

Attest: Theo. C. Hurd, Clerk.

Received and recorded Nov. 18, 1903, by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

November 21, 1903. At a joint meeting of the Selectmen and Road Commissioners held this day, under the provisions of Section 361, Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws, Charles B. Cutter was unanimously elected a Road Commissioner of the Town of Weston, to serve until the next annual town-meeting. [Sworn by the Town Clerk, November 24, 1903.]

ALFRED L. CUTTING,

Secretary.

Received and recorded November 21, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that the sealed ballots cast at the Annual State Election held Nov. 3, 1903, were delivered to me by the Presiding Election Officer, and have been retained until the requirements of the law have been complied with; and I further certify that I have destroyed them without examining them or permitting them to be examined by any person whatsoever.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

DECEMBER 12, 1903. Mr. Justin E. Gale having vacated the office of Registrar of Voters by his acceptance of the office of Trustee of the Public Library, the Selectmen have appointed Mr. Grant M. Palmer to fill the vacancy, to serve until May 1, 1906.

ALFRED L. CUTTING, Selectman and Secretary of the Board.

Received and recorded December 12, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WESTON, MASSACHUSETTS, Dec. 12, 1903.

Voted: — That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said Company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated. A plan of locations hereby granted is filed, dated Dec. 2, 1903.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway after the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit; alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires if so directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to; South Avenue near the Newton City line, three poles.

[SIGNATURES OF SELECTMEN]

FRANCIS BLAKE.
NATHAN S. FISKE.
ALFRED L. CUTTING.

Received and recorded Dec. 12, 1903,

by George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

I hereby certify that on Dec. 12, 1903, at 4.30 o'clock P. M., at the Town House, Weston, Mass., a public hearing was held on the petition of the New England Telephone

and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts for permission to erect the poles and other fixtures designated in the specification hereby endorsed, and that I mailed, at least three days before said hearing, a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct the lines of said Company under said specification.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

A true copy of the Records of the Town of Weston for the year 1903.

Attest: George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.

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